

West Licking Joint Fire District

851 East Broad Street Pataskala, Ohio 43062

Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2021

Mark Van Buren opened the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Jersey – Dan Wetzel Harrison – Mark Van Buren Etna – Jeff Johnson Kirkersville – Brian Denton Pataskala – Tom Lee Reynoldsburg – Stacie Baker

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Denton motioned to approve the January 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Not available to present tonight. Will present at next meeting.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Mr. Denton motioned to approve the January 2021 warrants 13251 – 13337. Mr. Lee seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

CHIEF:

- A. Todd Magers, Chief informed the Board this past month was rough. The District responded to four fatalities.
- B. Chief Magers informed the Board Newton Fire Department is interested in purchasing the Yukon from the District. The Board surplused this vehicle at the January 14, 2021 meeting. Newton Fire offered to purchase the GMC Yukon for \$3,000.00.
 - Mr. Wetzel motioned to accept Newton Fire Department's offer of \$3,000.00 to purchase the GMC Yukon from the District. Mr. Denton seconded. Vote: Denton yes; Johnson yes; Baker yes; Van Buren yes; Lee yes; Wetzel yes. **Motion carried.**
- C. Chief Magers informed the Board, Hanover Township Fire Department approached the District about purchasing the mercury boat motor the District received when we had ordered an Evinrude motor and the company refused to take the motor back. They will pay the price the District paid for the motor.
- D. Chief Magers informed the Board, training for the new ladder truck will be February 16th through the 19th. They will train the crews at Station 403 and those who receive the training will training the rest of department.
- E. Chief Magers informed the Board, the painters are finishing up and the EOC technology update is almost completed. Chief described to the Board the various technology updates completed and what is still left to be finalized.

ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- A. Jack Treinish, Assistant Chief informed the Board, contained in their packet is the estimate to purchase an all-terrain scissor lift from Sunbelt Rentals. This would be utilized throughout the District and stored at Station 402 to be used to reach the storage area above the mechanic's room. The all-terrain scissor lift has a duel fuel (propane/gas) Kubota engine with 2045 hours on it.
 - Mr. Van Buren inquired about a trailer for the lift.

AC Treinish stated Sunbelt did not have any trailers in stock current bit expected to get one in the near future.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to purchase the all-terrain scissor lift from Sunbelt Rentals for \$9,000.00. Mr. Lee seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

B. AC Treinish informed the Board, contained within their packet are pictures from Station 402 of the drainage issues and the quotes to repair this issue. The photos are taken looking from east to west. The two quotes the District obtain were from Dirt4U at a cost of \$25,650.00 and K & N Excavation at a cost of \$32,414.35.

Mr. Van Buren inquired when the work would be done. AC Treinish stated mid to late March.

Mr. Lee motioned to hire Dirt4U at a cost of \$25,650.00. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

- C. AC Treinish informed the Board the remodeling at the war room is 90% complete.
- D. AC Treinish informed the Board, the company the District obtained the original quote from for the rolling jack is not returning phone calls to order from them. The District was able to obtain a quote from Automotive Equipment for the same rolling jack of \$7,400.00 a \$700.00 savings.
- E. Mr. Van Buren inquired if Station 405 storage building is complete.

AC Treinish stated the heating is in place.

ASSISTANT CHIEF EMS:

A. Joseph Krouse, Assistant Chief informed the Board the 2020 EMS heat maps are contained in their packet. One map is more detailed than the other. This is the total runs for 2020.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Van Buren motioned to go into executive session to consider the employment of a public employee or official. ORC 121.22.1; to consider the investigation of complaints against a public employee. ORC 121.22.1; Mr. Baker seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

The Board went into executive session at 7:34 p.m.

Mr. Van Buren motioned to come out of executive session at 8:44 p.m. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

- A. Mr. Denton motioned to increase the salary of the current full-time mechanic to \$75,000.00 per year. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton yes; Johnson yes; Baker yes; Van Buren yes; Lee yes; Wetzel yes. **Motion carried.**
- B. Mr. Baker motioned to give all full time personnel a COVID day off. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton yes; Johnson yes; Baker yes; Van Buren yes; Lee yes; Wetzel yes. **Motion carried.**
- C. Mr. Wetzel motioned to give a consistent benefit package to the Chief, Assistant Chiefs, Administrator, and EMS Coordinator. Mr. Baker seconded. Vote: Denton yes; Johnson yes; Baker yes; Van Buren yes; Lee yes; Wetzel yes. **Motion carried.**
- D. Mr. Wetzel motioned to give the administrative staff Columbus Day as a holiday. Mr. Denton seconded.

Mr. Van Buren suggested having floating holidays instead of Columbus Day.

Vote: Denton – no; Johnson – no; Baker – no; Van Buren – no; Lee – no; Wetzel – no. **Motion failed.**

ADMINISTRATOR:

- A. Laurie Mayle, Administrator informed the Board, the District should have the 2021 budget completed for the March 2021 Board meeting.
- B. Ms. Mayle informed the Board, Marc Fishel submitted the brief on the grievance on January 29th and expects a ruling by mid-March.

LOCAL 3025:

Brian Palmer stated the Union had nothing for this evening.

There being no further business, Mr. Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Hubner

Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:

Board of Trustees

Title

Pres Board

Note: These minutes are unofficial, subject to amendment, until approved by the Fire Board Members.

Unclassified Administration (i.e., Chief, Administrator, Assistant Chief's, EMS Coordinator) Benefit Package:

Health Care

Retirement

On-call pay – paid annually, 1st pay in January Longevity pay - \$110 per yr. @ West Licking FT paid annually on anniversary date

Sick Leave Accrual – 6 hrs. per pay period (remains same)

Vacation Accrual

Years of Service	Hrly Accrual	Annual Hours	Days
Day 1 to end of 4 th yr	3.69	96	12
To end of 8 th yr	5.23	136	17
To end of 12 th yr	6.77	176	22
To end of 16 th yr	8.3	215	27
17 yrs and more	9.84	255	32
Yr 20 Bonus \$750	Paid begin yr 20		
Yr 24 Bonus \$1000	Paid begin yr 24		
Yr 28 Bonus \$1250	Paid begin yr 28		