

West Licking Joint Fire District

851 East Broad Street

Pataskala, Ohio 43062

Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

July 08, 2021

Mark Van Buren opened the meeting at 7:10 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Jersey – Dan Wetzel Harrison – Mark Van Buren Etna – Jeff Johnson

Kirkersville – Brian Denton Pataskala - Tom Lee - absent Reynoldsburg - Stacie Baker

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Baker motioned to approve the May 13, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Mr. Johnson motioned to approve the May and June Financial Statements. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton - yes; Johnson - yes; Baker - yes; Van Buren - yes; Wetzel - yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Mr. Denton motioned to approve the May and June vouchers. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

CHIEF:

- A. Todd Magers, Chief, informed the Board the run volume is coming back up. Currently averaging 20 25 runs per day.
- B. Chief Magers informed the Board, the burn building construction is almost completed.
- C. Chief Magers informed the Board, currently the District allows 3 interns (one per unit). The District is getting ready to do CPAT testing and a couple of the current interns will do the testing and become parttime employees, but currently there are two individuals who have applied to become interns at the District but there are currently no open positions.

Mr. Denton motioned to increase the intern positions to 5 effective for the next six months. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. Motion carried.

D. Chief Magers informed the Board, next week there is a joint training going on with the City of Newark and the old tower will be there all week. This is large area search training.

Fire Officer 1 training will begin in September.

Joint training with Violet Township will be going on at the Google facility regarding trench rescue.

Nozzle forward class and manual is being completed so all of the crews will be trained on how to operate all of the trucks.

E. Chief Magers informed the Board, Branham signs has designed a QR code to embed in our logo to stop picture taking of vehicles at accident scenes.

ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- A. Jack Treinish, Assistant Chief, informed the Board the engine has been purchased from Mifflin Township.
- B. AC Treinish informed the Board, the District would like to surplus the 2000 Pierce Saber and list it on GovDeals.
 - Mr. Baker motioned to surplus the 2000 Pierce Saber. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton yes; Johnson yes; Baker yes; Van Buren yes; Wetzel yes. **Motion carried.**
- C. AC Treinish informed the Board, the District would like to hire H. Mason Swearingen as an intern on 2 unit.

Mr. Johnson motioned to hire H. Mason Swearingen. Mr. Denton seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

ASSISTANT CHIEF EMS:

- A. Joseph Krouse, Assistant Chief informed the Board the activity reports are contained in their packet for May and June. These reports reflect actual response times.
- B. AC Krouse informed the Board, Medic 401 will go to Horton next week to be refurbished.
- C. AC Krouse informed the Board, the new Medic 403 is progressing well and is projected to be delivered August 16th.
- D. AC Krouse informed the Board, the District needs to purchase a new power load system to be installed in the new medic. The cost of this is \$22,111.05 for the power load system from Stryker.
 - Mr. Wetzel motioned to purchase a new power load system at a cost of \$22,111.05. Mr. Denton seconded. Vote: Denton yes; Johnson yes; Baker yes; Van Buren yes; Wetzel yes. **Motion carried.**
- E. AC Krouse informed the Board the District had four UCEN arrests last year and 3 walked out the hospital. This puts the Districts survival rate at 75%.
- F. AC Krouse informed the Board, Physio has requested to utilize the District staff to test some of their products for them.

ADMINISTRATOR:

- A. Laurie Mayle, Administrator, informed the Board the Phase II environmental is completed and there were no findings on the parcel of land The City of Reynoldsburg will sell the parcel to the District for \$1.00.
 - Mr. Johnson motions to purchase parcel 013-027414-00.000 10.59 +/- acres for \$1.00 from the City of Reynoldsburg. Mr. Wetzel seconds.
 - Mr. Van Buren inquired if a title search needs to be completed or if one has already been done.
 - Mr. Baker stated it has already been completed.

Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. Motion carried.

B. Ms. Mayle informed the Board, the District has conducted its drug testing requirements for BWC.

FISCAL OFFICER:

A. Donna Hubner, Fiscal Officer presented Resolution 2021-05 Resolution For Additional And Supplemental Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures For Year Ending December 31, 2021.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to adopt Resolution 2021-05. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Chris Bitler with the Firefighter's Association informed the Board a church has approached the Association about using the building on Sundays to hold service in and to also install internet in the building to broadcast.

Mr. Van Buren stated the church would need to come speak to the Board concerning this.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Van Buren motioned to go into executive session to consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual. ORC §121.22.1; to prepare for negotiations with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment. ORC §121.22.4. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Denton motioned to called the meeting back to order at 8:17 p.m. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

COMMENTS:

Mr. Baker thanked the Fire District for putting the Tower 403 in the Reynoldsburg 4th of July parade.

There being no further business, Mr. Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Hubner

Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:

Board of Trustees

President Title

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