



West Licking Joint Fire District
851 East Broad Street
Pataskala, Ohio 43062

Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2021

Mark Van Buren opened the meeting at 7:00 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

Reynoldsburg – Stacie Baker

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Denton motioned to approve the July 08, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – abstain; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Mr. Wetzel motioned to approve the July vouchers & financial statements. Mr. Denton 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 old T401 is ready to be sold. It has passed all inspections.
- B. Chief Magers informed the Board, the burn building construction is almost completed.
- C. Chief Magers informed the Board, the training building is all stacked and in position. It will take approximately a week to finalize.
- D. Chief Magers informed the Board, there will be numerous trainings going on this fall in house. Fire Officer II training will begin in September. The District will have a couple of hose experts in and they will be doing a three day train the trainer class. EMS Coordinator Wortman will be conducting a three day Mass Casualty training with a school bus in September.

Mr. Baker inquired if West Licking was asked to the training Truro did at the old K-Mart facility.

Chief Magers stated the District was not.

Captain Larry Moon, presented to the Board, a joint training session with Violet Township, held at the Google facility, regarding trench rescue in conjunction with Holder Construction.

- E. Chief Magers informed the Board, Lieutenant Brian Palmer was requested through the State to go down to Miami, FL and do debriefings of firefighters who were working onsite at the collapse of the condo building.

Lt. Palmer stated he was onsite approximate 16 hours a day and was available to talk with the firefighters as they took their breaks during the recovery missions.

- F. Chief Magers informed the Board, EMS Coordinator Wortman is currently handling the community paramedicine.

EMSC Wortman stated she has four individuals she is working with in the community. She is helping them to navigate through the healthcare system and making sure they are getting the assistance they need and reaching the proper authorities.

- G. Chief Magers informed the Board the District needs to update the Knox box systems for commercial users. The new system is a fob based system. The mutual aid departments would not need to maintain keys for our department they would be able to be programmed directly into our system. These departments currently utilize this same fob based system. The District would require new construction to place the fob type Knox boxes on site and give a timeline for current commercial properties to update their Knox box. Also, the Medvault systems in all of the Medics need to be updated for the District. The current Medvaults are obsolete and unable to be updated. The total cost to update the Medvaults and all of the software is \$40,175.37.

Mr. Baker motioned to spend \$40,175.37 with The Knox Company to purchase Medvaults and commercial fob system including the software for the systems. Mr. Lee seconded.

ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- A. Jack Treinish, Assistant Chief, informed the Board the 2000 Pierce engine sold on GovDeals for \$6,100.00 and the 2002 Ford pick-up sold for \$1,575.00.
- B. AC Treinish informed the Board, the District will have several small projects for Station 402 and Station 403 at next month's meeting which he is currently obtaining bids on.

ASSISTANT CHIEF EMS:

- A. Joseph Krouse, Assistant Chief informed the Board the activity report is contained in their packet for July. This report reflect actual response times.
- B. AC Krouse informed the Board, the final inspection of new Medic 403 will be in September.
- C. AC Krouse informed the Board, the District wants to obtain five thermal imagers for the medics. EMS Coordinator Wortman received a grant for one thermal imager which will be assigned to one of the medics.
- D. AC Krouse informed the Board, EMS Coordinator Wortman attended a conference for Operative IQ and their RFID tracking system. This RFID tracing system individually tracks narcotics and equipment. The reader is similar to a hotel card reader it is able to read the id tags as long as it is in the vicinity of them and does not have to individually scan each tag.

To purchase this upgrade for our Operative IQ system it would include 10,000 ID tags and the reader equipment for all five station at a cost of \$19,878.00. There is also an annual licensing fee of \$3,108.00.

Mr. Baker inquired about software upgrades.

AC Krouse stated currently our annual fees have included all upgrades to the software system.

Mr. Denton motioned to purchase the RFID tracking system for Operative IQ from Boundtree at a cost of \$18,878.00. Mr. Baker seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

ADMINISTRATOR:

- A. Laurie Mayle, Administrator, informed the Board the following part-time firefighters have submitted their resignations: Tyler Crouse, Justin Kuhel, Nicolas Reed, and Marcus Reineke.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to accept the resignations of all four part-time firefighters. Mr. Lee seconded. **Vote:** Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

- B. Ms. Mayle informed the Board, the District and Moody Nolan held a kick-off meeting on August 3rd. There was much discussion concerning the walking path and Moody Nolan is to bring in more information concerning the two buildings the District is interested in. Captain Applegarth will be at the August 18th meeting.

- C. Ms. Mayle informed the Board, the District is looking into a BWC Grant for an air extractor system for the New Station 404.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Van Buren motioned to go into executive session at 8:11 p.m. to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statues. ORC §121.22.5. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Denton motioned to called the meeting back to order at 9:15 p.m. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

FISCAL OFFICER:

- A. Donna Hubner, Fiscal Officer presented Resolution 2021-06 *Resolution Authorizing The Use Of A Portion Of The Proceeds Of Bonds Or Bond Anticipation Notes Of The Fire District, In The Principal Amount Of Not To Exceed \$4,500,000 To Be Issued For The Purpose Of Constructing Upgrades And Improvements To The Fire District Building Project, Together With Necessary Equipment And Appurtenances Thereto, And To Reimburse The Fire District's General Or Permanent Improvement Fund For Moneys Previously Advanced For Such Purpose.*

Mr. Van Buren motioned to adopt Resolution 2021-06. Mr. Denton seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

There being no further business, Mr. Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

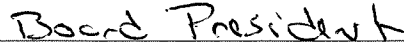


Donna M. Hubner
Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:



Board of Trustees



Title

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