



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

Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

October 20, 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 – absent

Reynoldsburg – Stacie Baker – absent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Denton motioned to approve the September 15, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

CHIEF:

A. Todd Magers, Chief, informed the Board, full-time Firefighter Cale Walker submitted his resignation effective October 16, 2021. He is going to Xenia Fire Department.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to accept Cale Walker's resignation. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

B. Chief Magers informed the Board, the old tower has been placed on GovDeals. The District has had several other Departments show interest in purchasing the tower. One fire department out of White Hall, AR flew in several guys to inspect the tower.

Stacie Baker jointed the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

C. Chief Magers informed the Board, the burn building is coming along nicely. BC Bryan has been overseeing the completion of the project.

ASSISTANT CHIEF:

A. Jack Treinish, Assistant Chief, informed the Board the District obtained one estimate for the parking lot areas here at Station 401. It is from Armor Paving and Sealing, the proposal is to cut and patch the asphalt, sealcoating, cracksealing and striping. Total cost of \$9,430.00.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to enter into an agreement with Armor Paving and Sealing for Station 401 parking lot areas at a not to exceed cost of \$9,430.00. Mr. Denton seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Baker – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

B. AC Treinish informed the Board, the District received two estimates for Station 402 for concrete/demo work. Meeker Excavating LLC estimate was \$101,400.00 and they can do the work in November of 2021. Frontier Remodeling Co., Inc. estimate is \$100,978.00 and the start date is April 2022. Both estimates include demolition, moving spoils to edge of second pond, eight inches of concrete and will cover 8100 square feet. AC Treinish would prefer to have the work completed this year.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to hire Meeker Excavating LLC at a not to exceed cost of \$101,400.00. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Baker – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

ASSISTANT CHIEF OF EMS:

- A. Joseph Krouse, Assistant Chief informed the Board the September 2021 activity report is contained in their board packet. The District's run volume is almost at 7,000 runs for the year.
- B. AC Krouse informed the Board he did the final inspection on M401 chassis remount and would like to place the order to get the next medic in line for a remount.

Mr. Denton motioned to approved \$160,000.00 to Horton to re-chassis the next medic in line. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Baker – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

- C. AC Krouse informed the Board the District would like to order two of the new Ford Explorers. The cost of each is approximately \$50,000.00 this is at state bid pricing.

Mr. Johnson motioned to purchase two Ford Explorers at a cost of \$50,000.00 each from Ricart. Mr. Denton seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Baker – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

- D. AC Krouse informed the Board the District would like to surplus the old chassis from M401 it is a F550.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to surplus the F550 chassis. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Baker – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Mr. Wetzel motioned to approve the September financial statements. Mr. Denton seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Baker – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

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

OPEN DISCUSSION:

James Farr with Perseverance Church inquired about using the Jefferson Street building as a church on Sundays from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm.

Discussion concerning the issues of other types of organizations that could possible want to utilize the building if the District decides to allow the building to be leased out. Currently the West Licking Firefighters Association and the American Legion are the only two organizations that use the building. The Fire District currently pays all utilities, maintenance and repair costs at this location.

Mr. Van Buren inquired about the guidelines the District currently has in place for outside organizations to utilize the District facilities.

Mr. Van Buren stated the Church would need to be able to obtain liability insurance. The District needs to see what the building use policy states first. A lease agreement would need to be created to outline what exactly is allowed. Mr. Farr would need to contact Ms. Mayle concerning this.

Mr. Van Buren stated Sid Smyers asked him if the proceeds from the wrecked engine is going to a city fire truck. Chief Magers stated it would be going to a new engine.

FISCAL OFFICER:

- A. Donna Hubner, Fiscal Officer inquired with the Board about moving the November meeting date. It falls on the 11th which is Veteran’s Day and the Administrative offices are closed. The Board discussed and agreed to move the meeting date to Tuesday, November 9th at 7:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

- A. Building & Land Committee – Mr. Wetzel informed the Board, Moody & Nolan presented the preliminary plans to the committee. There were some adjustments discussed and they are going to make those adjustments to the plans prior to going to the Reynoldsburg Zoning meeting in November.

Mr. Baker stated he has spoken with the residents and the only issues were the bike/walking trail and the vegetation on the south side of the building.

- B. Personnel Committee – Mr. Johnson stated the meeting went well.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Wetzel motioned to go into executive session at 7:46 p.m. to review negotiations ORC § 121.22.4 and to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statues. ORC §121.22.5. Mr. Lee seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Denton motioned to called the meeting back to order at 8:42 p.m. Mr. Johnson seconded. Vote: Denton – yes; Johnson – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes. **Motion carried.**



There being no further business, Mr. Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna M. Hubner
Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:


Board of Trustees
Title

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