



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

Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2024

Mark Van Buren, Vice President opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Jersey – Dan Wetzel
Harrison – Mark Van Buren
Etna – Mark Evans - absent
Hebron – Kenney Nauer

Kirkersville – James Kincaid II – absent
Pataskala – Tom Lee
Reynoldsburg – Stacie Baker – absent

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Lee motioned to go into executive session to consider the compensation of a public employee ORC §121.22.1. Mr. Wetzel seconded. **Vote:** Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.** The Board went into executive session at 6:01 p.m.

Mr. Baker joined the meeting in executive session at 6:09 p.m.

Mr. Lee motioned to come out of executive session at 6:16 p.m. Mr. Wetzel seconded. **Vote:** Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

OPEN DISCUSSION/BOARD COMMENTS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Lee motioned to approve the June 13, 2024, Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Nauer seconded. **Vote:** Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – abstain; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Mr. Nauer motioned to approve the June 2024 financial statements. Mr. Wetzel seconded. **Vote:** Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Mr. Wetzel motioned to approve the vouchers for June 2024. Mr. Lee seconded. **Vote:** Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

CHIEF:

- A. Todd Magers, Chief, informed the Board one of our EMT Basics has passed their paramedic test.
- B. Chief Magers informed the Board, the third floor has been installed on the burn building.

ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- A. Assistant Chief Jack Treinish informed the Board, new Station 403 is on schedule to be finalized the end of August 2024.
- B. AC Treinish informed the Board the bollards for the fuel tank at Station 404 are being installed.

- C. AC Treinish requested the Board approve the ordering of a 2024 Tahoe at a purchase price of \$54,442.00.

Mr. Baker motioned to approve the purchase of a 2024 Tahoe at a not to exceed price of \$54,442.00. Mr. Lee seconded. Vote: Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

- D. AC Treinish informed the Board the District is meeting with the engineer concerning moving the location of the dumpster and the fuel tank at new Station 403.

ASSISTANT CHIEF OF EMS:

- A. Assistant Chief Joseph Krouse informed the Board the June activity report is contained in their packet.

- B. AC Krouse informed the Board the Lifepak 15's were returned and the total cost to order the new Lifepak 35's for all seven medics is \$371,915.32. The District already has \$80,000.00 set aside for them from the return of the Lifepak 15's. There are several payment options available to the District. The District can pay for them outright or Stryker has a three year and five year financing options.

The current Lifepak 15's the District owns will be placed on the Engines. These should last for at least ten years.

Mr. Wetzel inquired if the District currently had seven medics.

AC Krouse stated the District has six front line medics and one for the backup medic.

Mr. Van Buren inquired about training.

AC Krouse stated everyone would need to be trained for the new features.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve the purchase of seven Lifepak 35's at a not-to-exceed cost of \$371,915.32. Mr. Baker seconded. Vote: Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

- C. AC Krouse informed the Board, the District wishes to adopt the NRPA 70 regulations for electric due to the electric vehicle charging stations being installed so there is an outside shut-off per 70 amps of electricity.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to approve the adoption of NRPA 70 electric regulations. Mr. Nauer seconded. Vote: Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

- D. AC Krouse updated the Board on the medic currently on order. Horton informed the District if we prepaid for the chassis this would move the production up and the District should receive the new medic the beginning of 2025.

- E. AC Krouse informed the Board that Freeport Refinery located in Hebron will be sending 10 of the District employees to training in January 2025 to learn more about how to handle any incidents at their business.

FISCAL OFFICER:

- A. Donna Hubner, Fiscal Officer presented Resolution 2024-09 Resolution Declaring It Necessary To Levy A Tax In Excess Of The Ten Mill Limitation O.R.C. §5705.19(I).

Mr. Lee motioned to approve Resolution 2024-09. Mr. Van Buren seconded. Vote: Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – no; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

- B. Ms. Hubner presented Resolution 2024-10 Resolution For Additional And Supplemental Appropriation For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures For Year Ending December 31, 2024.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve Resolution 2024-10. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Deb Caloimi, Cumberland Trails HOA representative inquired if the water has been transferred over to the Fire District from the HOA.

AC Treinish stated he would investigate this.

Ms. Caloimi stated the construction trucks are going through the condo area and these are private roads and not built to handle this type of traffic.

Ms. Caloimi inquired if there is a completion date for New Station 403.

AC Treinish stated that it is the end of August and going to have an open house kickoff the day of the Labor Day fireworks that held in the area.

Ms. Caloimi stated that on May 10, 2024 at approximately 5:15 p.m. there was a major electrical surge and 4 units lost power. They have sustained approximately \$10,000 in damages and AEP has denied their claims. Is there any help the Fire District can provide to help get this resolved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BUDGET COMMITTEE:

Mr. Van Buren informed the Board that the District needed to move forward with the choosing of an insurance broker. The Board has the two proposals that were received.

Mr. Van Buren motioned to go with Acrisure. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Mr. Lee motioned to grant Chief Magers' request of a voluntary change in positions from Fire Chief to Assistant Fire Chief and the District desirous of retaining Chief Magers in this new capacity. Therefore, be it resolved that Todd Magers is reassigned as an Assistant Fire Chief effective July 11, 2024. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Lee motioned whereas Jack Treinish has served the District in several capacities and currently is an Assistant Fire Chief and the District has a current vacancy in the Fire Chief's position and AC Treinish is qualified to serve as the Fire Chief and has expressed his desire to hold the position of Fire Chief. Therefore, be it resolved that Jack Treinish is appointed to the position of Fire Chief effective July 11, 2024. Mr. Nauer seconded. Vote: Baker – yes; Van Buren – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

Todd Mager, Assistant Chief swore in Jack Treinish as Chief of the West Licking Joint Fire District.

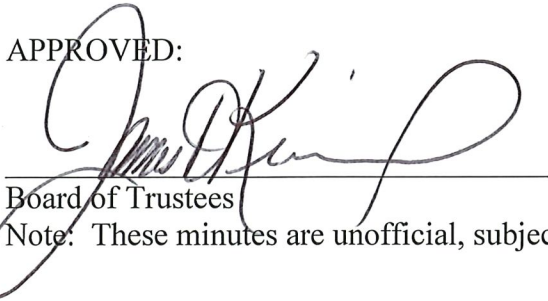
There being no further business, Mr. Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

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.