

MINUTES OF THE BUDGET WORKSHOP OF
THE O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SEPTEMBER 11, 2014

A Budget Workshop of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on September 11, 2014, at Station #1's Multipurpose Room, 119 East Elm Street, O'Fallon, MO. Director Laughlin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Notice of said meeting had been provided at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by posting the meeting time in the case on the outside wall of the Administrative Offices at Station #1. The following Directors were present: Director Bill Laughlin, Director Matt Gober, and Director Matt Simmons. The following staff members were present: Chief Tom Vineyard, Fire Marshal Mark Morrison, Financial Director Bob Cerrano, Battalion Chief Chuck McCoy, Shop Steward Eric Johnston, and Board Secretary Karen Lucido.

The following guests were present: None.

Financial Director Cerrano reviewed the 2015 Preliminary Budget. He stated the Public Hearing to set 2015 tax rates and approve the preliminary budget will be held at the September 25, 2014 Board Meeting, and the finalized 2015 Budget will be ready for approval prior to January 1, 2015. Approving the 2015 Preliminary Budget shows that the District's expenses match the tax rates. Discussion held that included the following:

Salaries: Salaries were reduced this year, but the preliminary budget reflects a potential 2.5% overall increase in salaries.

Bond Expenses: Bond expenses are reflected in a separate bond budget.

Volunteers Budget: Unchanged and will be included in the 2015 Budget. Chief Vineyard said currently the only change to the Volunteer Program is to the Reserves criteria for riding on trucks and their duties. Shop Steward Johnston requested the Volunteers provide a list of expenditures to the District. Consensus that the District will request a detailed breakdown of the Volunteer Organization expenses/budget every 6 months.

Insurance: There are increases to the insurance budget mainly due to worker comp premiums; liability insurance remains level; health insurance premiums reflect a potential 10% increase, and the District will receive the final numbers in October. Mr. Cerrano said that Property and Worker Comp Insurance premiums are reflected in the general fund expenses as they are both liability insurances, not benefits.

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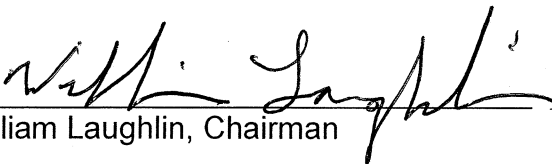
Organization Memberships: Consensus to eliminate membership in the MAFPD and keep membership in the MACFPD. The annual Attorney Workshop will be budgeted for the Financial Director and Board Administrative Assistant. The District will continue memberships in organizations that include the Missouri Chiefs, St. Louis Metro Fire Service Alliance, Greater St. Louis Fire Chiefs, and St. Charles County Emergency Services.

The Directors will review the preliminary budget further and contact the Financial Director with any questions prior to the September 25 Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Director Laughlin, seconded by Director Gober to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Gober and Simmons
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


William Laughlin, Chairman

ATTEST:


Karen Lucido, Board Administrative Assistant