

Approved, Board Mtg OF 6-25-15

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WORK SESSION OF
THE O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
June 10, 2015

A Work Session of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on June 10, 2015, at the Administration Building Board Room, 119 East Elm Street, O'Fallon, MO. Director Gober called the meeting to order at 7:04 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 No. 1. The following Directors were present: Director Bill Laughlin (by video conference), Director Matt Gober, and Director Matt Simmons. The following staff members were present: Chief Tom Vineyard, Financial Director Bob Cerrano, Battalion Chief Mel Emge, Fire Marshal Mark Morrison, Acting Battalion Chief Tom Bollenbach; Shop Steward Eric Johnston, Assistant Shop Steward Chad Vesely, Engineer Dave Koenig, Engineer Kelly Ennis and Board Admin Assistant Karen Lucido. Assistant Chief Ken Vomund was out of town on District business.

The following guest was present: Attorney Bruntrager

The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Chief Vineyard followed by Fire Marshal Morrison's reading of the Firefighter Prayer.

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

Chief Vineyard stated the Ladder Truck is still at Pierce being repaired. Assistant Chief Vomund and Chuck from Rescue Repair went to Pierce today to look over the repair work on the truck, and they both agreed that there are minor issues that need addressing, but the areas we marked as needing repair are done. The air bag brackets should be in next week and the truck back to our station by next Friday. Chief Vineyard is in touch with Pattonville Fire District who is also having issues with their truck and Pierce; Pattonville is waiting to hear back from Pierce regarding a resolution, and will stay in touch with Chief Vineyard regarding their progress.

Chief Vineyard stated that Assistant Chief Vomund contacted Lenny Schulte Construction regarding building a shed at Station #4; the project is moving forward and should be done by the end of June.

Chief Vineyard stated that he and Director Laughlin met with the Architects at the new Admin Building and laid out how they wanted everything positioned in the new building. A set of preliminary drawings were received and the Building Committee will meet June 15 at the new building with the architect to review plans and recommend revisions; Chief Vineyard is not expecting any major changes. He stated he was very impressed with Mr. Jahneke's turnaround of plans.

LABOR MANAGEMENT

Chief Vineyard said the Labor Management Committee is discussing long range plans and short term District goals for the \$2 million in bonds not yet issued. Some are being earmarked for needed special projects and other funds for long-term plans. The Committee will make their recommendations to the Board by the end of July.

OPERATIONS

Chief Vineyard stated the Captains' and Battalion Chief's promotional processes are completed, went very well, and he has received much positive feedback. Chief Vineyard said the Hiring Committee did well and the process was fair and impartial. Shop Steward Johnston stated this was the most unbiased process yet and it ran smoothly; Assistant Shop Steward Vesely agreed, and recommended the District continue this process whenever needed in the future. Chief Vineyard and Johnston and Vesely agreed that both processes were very credible and recommended not changing anything in either process. The Directors commended Chief Vineyard on the process and stated, since it went so smoothly, the process should continue as it's currently set.

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Director Gober asked if there were any further items for consideration; there were none.

A motion was made at 7:15 p.m. by Director Gober to go into Closed Session after a five minute break, pursuant to Section 610.021 (1) Legal Actions involving a public governmental body and confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys; (2) Leasing,

purchase or sale of real estate by a public government body; (3) Hiring or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body; (12) Any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed, and (13) Individually identifiable personnel records, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

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

At 7:45 p.m. a motion was made by Director Gober to adjourn the Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

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

During the Closed Session the following motions were made:

A motion was made by Director Gober to accept Chief Vineyard's recommendation of promoting Captain Andy Parrish to the position of Battalion Chief, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (2) Directors Gober, and Simmons
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Abstain: (1) Director Laughlin (due to video conference)
Motion declared and carried.

Director Laughlin stated that while he is abstaining from the vote, he agrees with the promotion of Captain Andy Parrish to Battalion Chief.

A motion was made by Director Gober to accept Chief Vineyard's recommendation of promoting Engineer Johnston to the position of Captain, and promoting Engineer Vesely to the position of Captain, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (2) Directors Gober, and Simmons
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Abstain: (1) Director Laughlin (due to video conference)
Motion declared and carried.

Director Laughlin stated that while he is abstaining from the vote, he agrees with the promotions of Engineer Johnston and Engineer Vesely to the position of Captain.

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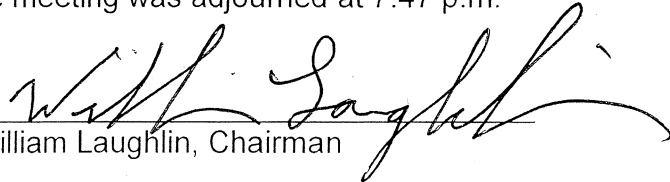
Engineer Ennis stated that the Outreach Wiffle Ball Tournament is rescheduled to June 22 at 6:00 p.m.; the District's Honor Guard will present colors and a WWII Veteran will throw out the first pitch. The news media has been contacted.

Director Gober announced that the next regular Board Meeting will be held June 25, 2015, beginning at 7:00 p.m., Administration Building.

A motion was made by Director Gober to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Simmons. 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 7:47 p.m.


William Laughlin, Chairman

ATTEST:


Karen Lucido, Recording Secretary
Board Administrative Assistant