

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
October 8, 2020

A Regular Session of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on Thursday, October 8, 2020, via Zoom due to COVID-19. Director Gober called the meeting to order at 7:02 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. The following Directors were present: Director Bill Laughlin, Director Matt Gober, and Director Matt Simmons. The following staff members were present: Chief Tom Vineyard, Assistant Chief Ken Vomund, Assistant Chief Brian Moore, Fire Marshal Mark Morrison, Battalion Chiefs Andy Parrish, and Matt Braile, Shop Steward Captain Eric Johnston, Captain Darren Daly, Firefighter Scott Wichern, District members, and Board Administrative Assistant Karen Lucido.

The following guests were present: Attorney Neil Bruntrager, Attorney Jon Bruntrager, Rick Rognan, CPA, and Joy Howard

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Vineyard, followed by the reading of the Firefighter Prayer. Director Gober stated all participants were happy to see Director Laughlin at this meeting, wishing him the best.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Mr. Rognan gave his financial report for month ended September 2020. He reviewed line items expenses and income, stating that tax collections were at 99.62% and Chief Vineyard did well on interest income. District overall spending is down this year and the District should be able to have \$8.3 million reserves (8 months operating funds) by the end of this year. Calls are slightly down from last year, mainly due to COVID and certain medical calls being routed to St. Charles County Ambulance. Board remains very conservative in their spending and the District remains very financially healthy.

Chief Vineyard stated that bond refinancing is moving forward, and introduced Joy Howard who is handling the District's Re-funding of Bonds. Ms. Howard reviewed the Resolution containing the Notice of Sale, and the process of re-funding. The actual bond sale will be approved at the October 22, 2020 Board Meeting that

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will approve the terms of bonds. She stated the District is re-funding 2013 Bonds and the District enjoys an Aa2 rating which is very good. She stated average rates are currently well under 2%; the District's current rate is 2 to 2.75 percent, and she estimates a rate of 0.8 to 1.68 percent, maybe lower. Chief Vineyard stated that Ms. Howard has been working on this for the past few months and is very knowledgeable and good to work with; this re-funding will provide significant savings to the District's taxpayers. Directors Laughlin, Gober, and Simmons thanked Ms. Howard for all her hard work. A motion was made by Director Gober to approve Resolution 2020-05 authorizing the offering for sale of General Obligation Re-funding Bonds Series 2020 as presented; Resolution attached as Exhibit I, 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.

Chief Vineyard stated that the 2021 Preliminary Budget is not much changed since last review; waiting on finalization of contract negotiations and health insurance premiums. He stated MOFAD initially gave the District good news on next year's premiums, however, they made a mathematical error and instead of a decrease in premiums the District will see a slight increase.

Chief Vineyard explained the \$21,000 bill paid to Heggeman Plumbing regarding Station #5's severe water leak. Assistant Chief Vomund stated that water was coming up up the gas and electric lines and into the building; Heggeman met with the Water District to dig down; part of the patio had to be busted out, extensive excavating around the building with a trench over 8 feet deep that needed shoring up. It ended up being the 4" copper fire suppression line, not the domestic water PVC, so it would not have been due to the station's recent remodel. This was a 5-day ordeal, however, everything is fixed and the patio repaired.

LABOR MANAGEMENT

Chief Vineyard stated Labor Management did not meet in October, and everything is status quo at this time.

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OPERATIONS:

Chief Vineyard stated everything is running smoothly, no one is out currently on COVID. The District's Tanker responded to the St. Charles Marina Fire.

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Chief Vineyard stated that the District has placed informational material on its website and via mailers to its citizens regarding Proposition F. Videos were made for our website featuring retired Battalion Chief Stenger, Captain McCutchen, for informational-only purposes. We have had no public feedback thus far. Discussion held. Director Laughlin stated he has received several phone calls asking what Prop F is, so it is good we are getting out information now. Shop Steward Johnston stated the IAFF 2665 Shop is also getting out information on this.

Director Laughlin thanked everyone for their well wishes.

Director Gober announced the next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom due to COVID-19.

A motion was made by Director Gober to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Simmons. Unanimous consent to Adjourn:

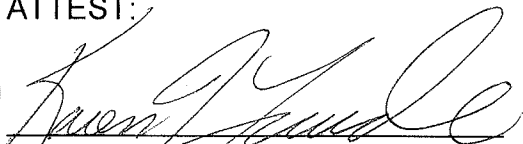
Ayes:	(3)	Directors Laughlin, Gober, and Simmons
Nays:	(0)	None
Absent:	(0)	None

Motion declared and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Matthew Gober, Treasurer & Acting Chairman

ATTEST:



Karen Lucido, Recording Secretary
Board Administrative Assistant

**RESOLUTION 2020-05 AUTHORIZING THE OFFERING FOR SALE OF
GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020.**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE O'FALLON FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT, ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The O'Fallon Fire Protection District, St. Charles County, Missouri (the "District") is hereby authorized to offer at competitive public sale approximately \$5,880,000 principal amount of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Bonds"), as described in the Notice of Bond Sale attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, for the purpose of providing funds to refund the District's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013.

Section 2. WM Financial Strategies, as municipal advisor to the District (the "Municipal Advisor"), is hereby authorized and directed to receive electronic bids for the purchase of the Bonds until 10:00 a.m., Central Time, on October 22, 2020, upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Notice of Bond Sale, and to deliver all bids so received to the Board of Directors at its meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m., Central Time, on said date, at which meeting the Board of Directors shall award the sale of the Bonds or reject all bids. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Fire Chief, after consultation with the Municipal Advisor, to cancel or postpone to a later date designated by the Fire Chief, the planned date for receiving electronic bids for the purchase of the Bonds if market conditions are expected to adversely impact the receipt of favorable bids for the purchase of the Bonds on the originally scheduled date.

Section 3. The Notice of Bond Sale is hereby approved in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, and the Fire Chief is hereby authorized to execute the Notice of Bond Sale, with such changes and additions thereto as such official shall deem necessary or appropriate, and to use such document in connection with the public sale of the Bonds.

Section 4. The Preliminary Official Statement is hereby approved in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, with such changes and additions thereto as the Fire Chief shall deem necessary or appropriate, and the appropriate officers and representatives of the District are hereby authorized to use such document in connection with the public sale of the Bonds.

Section 5. The District authorizes the Municipal Advisor to proceed with the use and distribution of the Notice of Bond Sale and the Preliminary Official Statement in connection with the public sale of the Bonds, including distribution through *The Bond Buyer*. Gilmore & Bell, P.C., as Bond Counsel to the District, is hereby authorized and directed to give notice of said bond sale by publishing a summary of the Notice of Bond Sale in a newspaper having general circulation in the District.

Section 6. For the purpose of enabling the purchaser of the Bonds (the "Original Purchaser") to comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12(b)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the appropriate officers of the District are hereby authorized, if requested, to provide the Original Purchaser a letter or certification to the effect that the District deems the Preliminary Official Statement to be "final" as of its date, except for the omission of such information as is permitted by the Rule, and to take such other actions or execute such other documents as such officers in their reasonable judgment deem necessary to enable the Original Purchaser to comply with the requirement of such Rule.

Section 7. The District agrees to provide to the Original Purchaser within seven business days of the date of the sale of the Bonds or within sufficient time to accompany any confirmation that requests payment from any customer of the Original Purchaser, whichever is earlier, sufficient copies of the final Official Statement to enable the Original Purchaser to comply with the requirements of Rule

15c2-12(b)(4) of the Securities and Exchange Commission and with the requirements of Rule G-32 of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

Section 8. The Fire Chief and other officers and representatives of the District are hereby authorized and directed to take such other action as may be necessary or convenient to carry out the public sale of the Bonds.

Section 9. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Board of Directors.

PASSED by the Board of Directors of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District, St. Charles County, Missouri, this 8th day of October, 2020.

(SEAL)

William Laughlin
Chairman of the Board of Directors

Matthew C. Simmons
Secretary of the Board of Directors

Matthew F. Gober
Treasurer

ATTEST:

Matthew C. Simmons
Secretary of the Board of Directors

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF BOND SALE

[On file with the District]

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