

APPROVED AT 02-24-2022 BOARD MTG

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS February 10, 2022

A Regular Session of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on Thursday, February 10, 2022 via Zoom due to COVID-19. Director Laughlin called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 Chiefs Andy Parrish and Matt Braile, Battalion Chief Brian Moore, Fire Marshal Mark Morrison, Shop Steward Battalion Chief Eric Johnston, Captain Darren Daly, District members, and Board Executive Admin Assistant Julie Gaylord. The following guests were present: Attorney Jon Bruntrager, and Rick Rognan, CPA.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Vineyard, followed by Battalion Chief Moore reading the firefighter's prayer.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Mr. Rognan gave his financial report for month ended January 2022, reviewing line-item expenses and income, stating that the district was doing great. Chief Vineyard stated that the salaries on the financial report are inflated due to all the retirements and they payouts for the retirees. Mr. Rogan stated that the district is in good financial shape and that once again we can thank the Board of Directors and Chief Vineyard for their hard work at keeping the district financially stable.

Assistant Chief Braile reviewed the price proposal for the replacement of the Thermal Imaging Camera on rescue pumper 9134. There being no further questions or concerns, Director Laughlin made a motion to approve the replacement of the thermal imaging camera for rescue pumper 9134 at a total cost of \$7,191.00, seconded by Director Gober. Upon roll call the vote was:

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

Motion declared and carried.

Assistant Chief Braile discussed purchasing Station Maps for all the engine houses including the administration building. Discussion was held. There being no further questions,

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Director Laughlin made a motion to approve the purchase of 5 station maps at the total cost of \$2,050.00, 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.

Assistant Chief Braille reviewed the quote from Marquart Masonry for the brick replacement at Station #3. Discussion held. A motion was made by Director Laughlin to approve Marquart Masonry to replace the brick at Station #3 for a total cost of \$1,500.00, seconded by Director Gober. Upon roll call the vote was:

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

LABOR MANAGEMENT

Chief Vineyard stated that at the last Labor Management meeting it was discussed that we hire a snow plow company. Chief Vineyard stated that he will keep the board updated on what the final decision on that comes out to be.

OPERATIONS

Chief Vineyard stated District policy remains unchanged regarding Covid-19.

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Assistant Chief Parrish discussed the districts social media presence on Facebook and Instagram. AC Parrish stated that overall, we are seeing more people look at our website and posts on all social media platforms. AC Parrish mentioned that they are working to add more content to the website and hopes to see our views on social media continue to grow.

Assistant Chief Parrish discussed using Feathershark to update our phone system at all the fire houses including administration. Feathershark went around to all the stations and looked at what equipment we would need. AC Parrish said once they get us a proposal, he would present it to the board for approval.

Chief Vineyard requested approval for Resolution 2022-02 and 2022-03. Resolution 2022-02 requests the boards approval for the reauthorization of Proposition R. There being no further questions or concerns Director Laughlin made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-02 to authorize the reauthorization of the St. Charles County transportation tax for the April 5, 2022 general election ballot, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

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

Chief Vineyard discussed that Resolution 2022-03 was in regards to the Critical Illness Trust. In order for our District to be involved with the trust it needed board approval. There being no further questions or concerns a motion was made by Director Laughlin to approve Resolution 2022-03 authorizing the district to participate in the Missouri Firefighters Critical Illness Trust and Risk Pool, and further authorizing the fire Chief to execute such documents as may be necessary for the District's participation therein, 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.

Director Laughlin asked if there was any need to go into closed session, there being no request by anyone to go into closed session, Director Laughlin announced the next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom due to COVID-19.

A motion was made by Director Laughlin to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Gober. 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 7:31 p.m.



William Laughlin, Chairman

ATTEST:


Julie Gaylord, Recording Secretary
Board Executive Administrative Assistant