

SMITHVILLE AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING  
November 26, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Smithville Area Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairwoman Debbie Childress at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Debbie Childress, Bob Painter, Charlie Waters, Brian Laybourne, and Duane Garmeson.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

REVIEW PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES:

The minutes of the October 22, 2019 regular meeting were approved with no changes and without objection.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report for October 2019 will be filed for audit with no changes and without objection.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Cline provided the Chief's report.

No building fires. One outside trash fire, one flue fire. 53 medical runs. 9 motor vehicles accidents. 7 hazardous conditions six service calls. 11 good intent calls. 6 false alarms.

Total of 93 runs for the month. Year-to-date end of October 951.

77 requests for services that aren't recorded as incidents. Installed 12 car seats, 11 public education events, 6 public CPR courses, 29 PR events, 25 requests for smoke alarm installations. Total of 131 smoke alarm either installs or maintenance provided.

11 public education events and eight PR events.

Nine plan reviews for the month.

5 new building permits.

234 hours of training for October.

Chief discusses working with the fire chiefs in Kearney, Liberty, and South Platte to contract for budgeted firefighter physicals done by April 2020

#### Station #2

Electrical service line cut during installation of high speed internet service. Back-up generator worked great until KCPL got power back on.

C shift finishing up installing replacing all the exhaust fans in the bathrooms.

#### Station #3

Programming of the geothermal pump resolved.

Headlights replaced air leak fix in 2010 Pierce.

The 2017 air dryer replaced. A leaking parking brake valve replaced and we had new tires put on

November 1, Chief met with MoFAD Representative. Reviewed claim history. Workers' Comp insurance going up about 16,000

November 6, Chief met with ham radio operators group. They will use old VHF radio equipment.

Chief attended the planning and zoning committee meeting.

November 18, Chief attended Board of Aldermen meeting.

Meeting scheduled for second week of December with Standard and Poors about our bond rating.

Next month will have some budget amendments for review.

Candidate filing for April's election will open on December 17 through January 21. Chief confirms it will be one spot open.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. REVIEW OF VFIS PROPERTY INSURANCE, PRESENTATION BY KEN BILLUPS

Ken Billups reviews features and renewal of the VFIS insurance.

Chief will add this to next month's agenda.

2. CONSIDER THE RENEWAL OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Chief and Connie worked with insurance broker the Bukati Company.

Chief discusses options.

C. Waters gets clarification from Chief on differing amounts associated with employees.

D. Childress makes a motion to accept and move forward with the United BJHG plan for 2020. C. Waters seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

3. Review proposed 2020 budget

Chief reviews budget.

D. Childress asks why nothing is budgeted in the short-term disability, line 340. Chief explains it is covered in the accidental death, line 305 and line 340 will fall off next year

D. Childress asks why has budget on line 420 not increased since costs were over budget the last two years. Chief explains costs are down with the new phone system

D. Childress asks why only \$20 was spent of the budgeted \$10,000 from line 820. Chief explains discusses previous conversation about changing company that provides physicals.

D. Garmeson asks why on line 445 IT service has been reduced from \$10,000 down to \$5,000. Chief explains that he doesn't foresee big software purchases like the previous year.

#### 4. CONSIDER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PURCHASES

Chief discusses reason for purchasing 8 ballistic vests, and forcible entry prop.

D. Childress gets confirmation from Chief that the forcible entry prop is just for training purposes.

D. Garmeson gets clarification on pricing of the body armor.

C. Waters gets confirmation from Chief that the ballistic vests can be worn under bunker gear.

C. Waters makes a motion to approve the capital improvement purchases of eight of the Spartan Armor 550 Level 3 body armor packs at \$2,799.92, and the Woods Forcible Entry Door Kit for training for \$3,100. D. Garmeson seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

#### 5. CONSIDER PROPOSED BALLOT ISSUE TO INCREASE STAFFING FOR THE PURPOSE OF STAFFING STATION 3

-PROPOSAL IS A 35-CENT INCREASE TO THE CURRENT 30-CENT LEVY CEILING

Chief and Mr. Scarborough describe it will be a proposed 35 increase per \$100 of assessed valuation. This would be in addition to what the current rate is, not necessarily to the ceiling.

D. Childress asks if it's the same wording that was reviewed before. Mr. Scarborough explains only one date was changed to match up to the current month.

C. Waters suggests addition to Fact Sheet to include number of Smithville residents compared to number of firefighters.

C. Waters gets clarification from Mr. Scarborough on his role in the process as Secretary.

D. Childress makes a motion to pass the resolution calling an election the Smithville Area Fire Protection District of Clay and Platte Counties, Missouri on the ballot question as written. C. Waters seconded. D. Garmeson, no. B. Laybourne, yes. C. Waters, yes. B. Painter, yes. D. Childress, yes. Motion carried.

## NEXT BOARD MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

## ADJOURNED:

D. Childress made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion was seconded by C. Waters. D. Garmeson, yes. B. Laybourne, yes. C. Waters, yes. B. Painter, yes. D. Childress, yes. Motion carried.  
Adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully,

/s/ Liebe Stevenson

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LIEBE STEVENSON, C.C.R #1340

The meeting minutes were written by Liebe Stevenson, under the authority of the Board of Directors. These minutes are not official until read, approved and signed by a member of the Board.

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Charlie Waters, Secretary

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Date