

SMITHVILLE AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 28, 2020

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 December 17, 2019 regular meeting were approved with no changes and without objection.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Since only one name was submitted for the open seat that will come when Duane leaves in April, an election will not have to be held, which saves the district money.

Ken Wilson will be sworn in this April.

D. Childress wishes Chief Cline a happy birthday.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Cline provided the Chief's report and included monthly numbers and sum totals and end-of-the-year numbers.

In December, two mutual aid building fires; one in Kearney, one in Holt. And three other fires. Total for year of 36.

In December, had 73 medical calls, 14 car accidents for a total of 753 requests for emergency medical services, which equated to about 65 percent of runs for the year.

Hazardous conditions, six of those for the month; total of 46 of those for the year.

Service calls were down for the month, which is 285 total for the year.

Good intent calls, 7 of those runs for the month; 169 for the year.

True/false alarms, three for the month; 61 for the year.

110 runs in December; total for 2019 of 1,155.

Service calls were up this year over last year.

About dead even with last year's numbers, which Chief Cline comments is a good trend.

76 overlapping incidents for the year.

Captain Traub is working on gathering response times statistics. For example, average over the last five years: 25 percent of runs are in response area of Station #3. More data will be provided in the future.

20 public education events for the year.

Public Relations. Lighted Christmas parade downtown and Santa at the fire station, good weather for both events and they were well Attended. 65 PR events for the year.

Total contacts for 2019: 2,300 adults and over 3,000 children. 15 Child safety seat installations. 173 smoke alarms installed.

Annual inspections of the all the school district buildings completed.

24 plan reviews for the 2019. 81 total permits for the 2019.

190 hours of training for December. 3,329 hours for the year. Little over 1,500 class.

Working through labor management to have policy for use of new ballistic vests ready for consideration at next month's meeting.

New internet is up and running at Station #2.

Equipment.

Brush truck has leak that will hopefully be fixed in a couple weeks.

Administration.

Two monthly operations meetings January 9.

Standard and Poor's updated bond rating is A-Plus stable. Wanted to know if there is a policy in place regarding reserve account minimum.

Blood drive on the 13th: 11 donors, collected 13 units.

Financial auditors, are doing preliminary work on 2019 financial audit and think they'll be able to present at the March meeting.

Thank you received from ham radio operators group.

C. Waters reports on City of Smithville liaison committee meeting. Ballot issues discussed. New road from 169 through lake meadows to F highway to assist with run times. Public works director Chuck Soules replacing Brett McCubbin. Meeting to be set to talk about hydrants and testing.

C. Waters asks regarding general obligation rating and upside scenario about if there is a better rating than A-Plus stable. Attorney Scarborough and Chief Cline give info regarding other ratings.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. CONSIDER THE AMENDMENT TO THE 2019 OPERATING ACCOUNT BUDGET.

Chief Cline gives reasons to decrease two items: Payroll and life insurance.

D. Childress asks why 1045 had to go up so much. Chief Cline explains it was a set of new tires needed on a tanker truck.

D. Childress asks whether it was the same for the pumper. Chief Cline explains it was new tires and a pump repair.

C. Waters asks if decreasing life insurance is decreasing the coverage. Chief Cline explains it is not, that it was under budget.

C. Waters makes a motion to approve the amendment to the 2019 operating budget. D. Childress seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

2. CONSIDER TRANSFER OF FUND FROM OPERATING ACCOUNT TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT.

Chief Cline gives reasons why he would like to take \$200,000 from the operating account and transfer it to the capital improvement account.

C. Waters makes a motion to transfer \$200,000 from the operating account and place it into the capital improvement account. D. Garmeson seconded. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION:

At 7:26 p.m., D. Childress made a motion to go into closed session as authorized by the State of Missouri Sunshine Law 610.021 (1) Legal and (3) Personnel. C. Waters and D. Garmeson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: D. Garmeson, yes. B. Laybourne, yes. C. Waters, yes. B. Painter, yes. D. Childress, yes. Motion carried.

D. Garmeson made a motion to go back into Open Session. C. Waters seconded. Roll call vote: D. Garmeson, yes. 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, February 25, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION:

At 8:52 p.m., D. Childress calls meeting back to order.

ADJOURNED:

D. Childress made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion was seconded by C. Waters. All present voted yes. Motion carried. Adjourned at 8:52 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