SMITHVILLE AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING October 24, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Smithville Area Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairman Jason Ekis at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Jason Ekis, Brian Laybourne, and Ken Wilson.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

REVIEW PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES:

The minutes of the September 22, 2023 tax levy meeting were approved with no changes and without objection.

The minutes of the September 22, 2023 regular meeting were approved with no changes and without objection.

The minutes of the September 22, 2023 closed session meeting were approved with no changes and without objection.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report for September 2023 will be filed for audit with no changes and without objection.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

J. Ekis expresses gratitude to all shifts who cleaned up Station #3 and complimented the firefighters' on their hospitality and friendly interactions with the public at the open house.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Cline provided the Chief's report.

5 fire incidents. 77 medical emergencies. 7 motor vehicle accidents. 1 water rescue incident, mutual aid; no injuries. No hazardous conditions. 7 service calls. 17 good intent. 8 false alarms. 122 for the month of September; 1,152 for the year; 83 runs above last year.

Community risk reduction. 2 public education events. 10 PR events. 2 inspections. 6 plan reviews. 4 permits.

Training. Firefighters logged 553.75 hours of training; included two full days of hands-on drills at Southern Platte Fire District's facility.

Maintenance. Station #3 exhaust fan and exhaust removal system both need repair.

Administration. Working on using a new feature on ESO that integrates with the dispatch center at Platte County Working with City of Smithville to input hydro testing info into their GIS system, which will also be beneficial during the next ISO assessment.

Chief Cline answers questions from the Board regarding status of driver certifications.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. CONSIDER 2024 HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL OPTIONS

Chief Cline provides information.

J. Ekis makes a motion to renew with United HealthCare for the CWHT plan and continue paying 100 percent of the premium for employees and 50 percent of the premium for family. B. Laybourne seconded. Roll call vote: B Laybourne, yes. K. Wilson, yes. J. Ekis, yes. Motion carried.

2. PRESENTATION OF DRAFT 2024 OPERATING BUDGET

Chief Cline provides info regarding proposed budget and answers questions from the Board regarding overtime bunker gear, and cleaning supplies.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED:

J. Ekis made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion was seconded by B. Laybourne. Roll call vote: B. Laybourne, yes; K. Wilson, yes; J. Ekis, yes. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully,

/s/ Liebe Stevenson
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.

Ryan Larson, Secretary Date