

SMITHVILLE AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
April 23, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Smithville Area Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairman Jason Ekis at 7:12 p.m. Board members present were Jason Ekis, Clifford Grindel, Brian Laybourne, Ken Wilson, and Ryan Larson.

OATH OF OFFICE:

Attorney Scarborough swears in Brian Laybourne and Clifford Grindel.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report for March 2024 will be filed for audit with no changes and without objection.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Cline provided the Chief's report.

1 structure fire. 11 brush fires. 98 medical emergencies. 10 motor vehicle accidents. 4 hazardous conditions. 8 service calls. 18 good intent calls. 5 false alarms. Total of 154 runs for the month of March; busiest of the last 24 months. Average total has increased from 117 to 135 incidents over the last 2 years.

Community Risk Reduction. 2 public education events. 14 PR events. One investigation. 2 inspections. One plan review. 18 permits issued.

438 hours of training completed in March.

Health and Safety. Hydrostatic testing was done on all SCBA bottles. New wildland rescue gear has been ordered.

Maintenance. Lock replaced on walk-in door at Station #2. Repairs are completed to the east overhead door at Station #3. The new pumper 13 is in service at Station #3. 2017 pumper is going out for pump repair next Monday.

Administration. Chief Cline met with a group of other fire protection districts about the possibility of forming an insurance trust similar to the Workers' Compensation insurance trust with the goal of getting better rates for insurance.

Chief Taggart assisted with a promotion process in Riverside and Central Jackson County, and the professional development day over at Blue Ridge Community college.

Department photos were taken in conjunction with the police department.

No injuries, and no damage to SAFPD facilities or equipment resulting from the April 16 tornado.

Shift crews later went back to the trap range and helped secure guns, ammo, cache, and so forth inside the building, and helped secure a lot of property and memorabilia.

Capital Improvement Projects. The new pumper is in service at Station #3. The Lucas device has been received, training was completed, and it has been placed in service at Station #3. The ventilation fans have been received and they are in service on both pumpers.

The new personal protective equipment the gear is now on order. Portable radios are on order; it might be five or six months before they are received. Fire hose and new nozzles have been delivered. No new information on ladder truck for the spring of '25.

Chief Cline has started working on specifications for the flooring project in the bathroom upgrades at Station #2. Not started yet on the training room upgrades or the Swiftwater rescue gear.

Chief Cline has been in contact with Platte County communications about some changes to radios going forward.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. CONSIDER BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF TWO PICKUP TRUCKS

As part of the 2024 capital improvement plan, Chief Cline solicited bids for replacement of both the command vehicles. Chief Cline provides information regarding the where bids were sent, specifications, mileage and maintenance of current trucks, benefits of factory warranty, and budget for this purchase in capital improvement.

Chief Cline makes recommendation to accept bid of \$108,602.08 from Anderson Auto Group.

J. Ekis makes a motion that to go with the Chief's recommendation to purchase two Ford F-250 pickups specified from the Anderson Auto Group. B. Laybourne seconded. Roll call vote: K. Wilson, yes. B. Laybourne, yes. C. Grindel, yes. R. Larson, yes. J. Ekis, yes. Motion carried.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED:

J. Ekis made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion was seconded by R. Larson. Roll call vote: B. Laybourne, yes; C. Grindel, yes; R. Larson, yes; K. Wilson, yes; J. Ekis, yes. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:27 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