

SMITHVILLE AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 25, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Smithville Area Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairman Debbie Childress at 7:00 P.M. Board members present were Debbie Childress, Greg Atkins, and Bob Painter.

**Review Previous Months Minutes:**

- Bob Painter made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2017 regular meeting. Debbie Childress seconded the motion. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's report:**

- Greg Atkins made a motion to approve the treasurer's report for March, 2017. Bob Painter seconded the motion. All present voted yes, Motion carried.

**Chief's Report:**

- Deputy Chief Dave Cline provided the Chief's report. SAFPD responded to 112 incidents including a deck fire in the Lake Meadows subdivision. 388 hours of training were completed in March. SCBA inspection, repairs, and testing were completed in addition to face piece fit testing.  
The RFP for the roof replacement at Station 1 has been advertised. Multiple repairs have been made at Station 2 including the ice machine, an air conditioning unit, entry door lock replacement, and one of the overhead doors. SAFPD has taken possession of Station 3 in Paradise. The general contractor has been given a 30-day notice to complete any remaining items. Chief Cline has met with the major sub-contractors for in-service training on major components of the building. The next project on the site is the erection of the communications tower. Discussion included how to proceed with mowing at the site.  
The transfer case on Rescue 12 was replaced, a rescue saw was repaired, and a weed trimmer was replaced as well. Bearings on the Boat 1 trailer were replaced and all boats were scheduled for annual tune-up.  
Staff meetings have been held with the shift captains. An initial meeting was held pertaining to the annual financial audit. Chief Cline discussed with the board participating in the rebate program through KCPL in regards to installing LED lighting at Station 2. Chief Cline also made a request to use capital improvement funds to purchase 4 dry suits used in water rescue incidents.  
Chief Cline reported that he participated in the after action review examining the response to the tornado.
- Debbie Childress made a motion to approve the chief's report for March, 2017. Bob Painter seconded the motion. All present voted yes, motion carried.

### **Public Comment:**

- Charlie Waters, 503 Indian Trail Ct, Smithville, MO  
Mr. Waters asked the board about the plaque on Station 3 which says the building was dedicated January 2017. Mr. Waters asked how much the plaque cost and asked for details in regards to the board member names listed on the plaque.
- Tom Pica, 5004 Century Drive, Smithville, MO  
Mr. Pica asked the board if the Fire Chief's department vehicle is in the station. Mr. Pica also asked the board for details of the warranties on various systems in Station 3.

### **Unfinished/Old Business:**

- Research the District moving to a five (5) person Board
  - Public comment, Charlie Waters, 503 Indian Trail Ct, Smithville, MO
    - Asked Greg Atkins why he supported moving to a five-person board of directors at this time.
  - Greg Atkins made a motion to have attorney Joe Gagnon file the proposed ballot initiative. Debbie Childress seconded the motion. All members voted, Childress yes, Atkins yes, Painter no.
  - Motion passed.
- Fire District – City of Smithville liaison meeting
  - Report by Greg Atkins, discussion only, no motion made
  - Next meeting July 20, 2017 at 7pm, at SAFPD Station 2, 341 Park Drive
- Appropriate Ballot Issue to staff Station #3
  - Public comment, Anita Johnson, 217 Ashmont Ct, Smithville, MO
    - Property assessments have raised, she and her neighbors are on a fixed income, she is concerned about rising tax expenses, asked the board to wait and see the effects of the increased assessment
  - Discussion only, no motion made
- Appoint Ad Hoc committee to help District promote ballot issue
  - No discussion
- Fire Board mission statement
  - No discussion
  - Tabled until next meeting.

**New Business:**

- Third-party to record meeting minutes
  - Debbie Childress made a motion to gather names of parties interested in keeping the minutes of board meetings and interview those parties in closed session during the next board meeting. Bob Painter seconded the motion. There was further discussion then all members voted, Painter yes, Childress yes, Atkins no.
  - Motion passed.
- Capital purchase request, replacement dry suits
  - During the chief's report; Debbie Childress made a motion to purchase 4 replacement dry-suits. Bob Painter seconded the motion. All members voted yes, motion carried.

**Closed Session:**

- At 7:59pm Debbie 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. Bob Painter seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Painter yes, Atkins no, Childress yes.
- At 8:08pm Debbie Childress made a motion to move out of closed session and to go in to open session. Motion seconded by Greg Atkins. Roll call vote: Childress yes, Atkins yes, Painter yes.

**Reconvene Open Session:**

- At 8:15pm Debbie Childress made a motion to re-open open session. Motion was seconded by Bob Painter. Roll call vote: Childress yes, Atkins yes, Painter yes.
- Debbie Childress stated that in closed session the Board of Directors voted to pay Deputy Chief Dave Cline an additional \$500 per pay period to compensate for additional Chief's duties.

**Next Board Meeting:**

- The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be Tuesday May 23, 2017 and 7:00pm.

**Adjourned:**

- A Motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Debbie Childress. Motion was seconded by Bob Painter. All members present voted yes, Motion carried, Adjourned at 8:16pm.

Respectfully,

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Dave Cline, Deputy Chief

The meeting minutes were written by Deputy Chief Dave Cline, 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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Greg Atkins, Secretary/Treasurer

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Date