

O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
CITIZEN PLANNING COMMITTEE (CPC)

Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 24, 2017 - Station #3

1. President Ottomeyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** (Recording Secretary Lucido conducted roll call)

Scott Avery	Absent	Asst Chief Moore	Present
Dave Buck	Present	Pres Dr. Ottomeyer	Present
Jamie Cronk	Present	Laraine Proctor	Excused
Joe Donahue	Excused	Vice Pres Kelly Rector	Present
Jim Frain	Present	Teri Reiter	Present
Dir Matt Gober	Excused	Dir. Matt Simmons	Present
Tony Graceffa	Excused	Chief Tom Vineyard	Present
Dir Bill Laughlin	Present	Assistant Chief Vomund	Present
Mark Morrison	Present	Sr. Michaleen Vomund	Excused

Guest(s): None.

3. **Approval of Minutes**
 Dr. Ottomeyer asked for questions or comments regarding minutes of the January 23, 2017 Citizen Planning Committee Meeting. There being no questions or comments, Kelly Rector made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Jim Frain. All members present were in favor of approving the January 23, 2017 minutes as presented; none opposed; Absent: Avery, Donahue, Gober, Graceffa, Proctor, Sr. Michaleen. **MOTION PASSES.**

4. **Reports:**
 - A) Assistant Chief Ken Vomund
 - Equipment - 9134 Pumper back in service after cab modifications completed.

9114 Pumper going to Pierce for cab modifications.

- New (9154) Pumper should be delivered in July.
 - Training: Using the empty Chevy's restaurant for in-house training until Regions Bank tears down and rebuilds on that site. Just completed 2 weeks of County-Wide Burns (Training), which was very successful.
 - B) Assistant Chief Brian Moore
 - Continuing work updating the District's public website (www.ofallonfire.org).

- Denny & Associates assisted the District in retaining a new Third Party Health Care Administrator due to issues with its current provider; the transition has been smooth and is almost complete. A special thank you was given to Kelly Rector and her staff.

- The District has been very active in the community on PR events and assisting families/residents this quarter.

- Engineers Vogelgesang and Swafford had their heads shaved in 2 separate St. Baldrick's events, which raised \$16,000 for St. Baldricks, and \$6,000 for the Stout family, respectively.

- The District's Trivia Night was very successful, raising \$12,000 for the District's Outreach; all funds go back into the community and so far funds have been used to assist victims of 2 house fires that occurred within the District this year.

- Engineer Kelly Ennis was named Firefighter of the Year and was honored at the annual local VFW Awards Banquet.

- A mock drunk driving skit was held at Ft. Zumwalt West High School. Their theater students acted as victims for this very successful event, and over 1,000 students attended. Ambulances and Helicopters also participated, and this filmed event was placed on social media where it received over 70,000 likes. Assistant Chief Vomund stated we have also done this drill at Assumption Church for the past 6 years, and it has been very successful in raising awareness with the issue of drinking and driving.

C) Fire Marshal Mark Morrison:

- Fire Prevention Bureau:

- April Easter Bunny Photo event had 313 attendees; the crews' and volunteers' assistance was very helpful in making this event a success.

- Senior Luncheons are being scheduled in May and June, 2017.

- Annual Muster scheduled for October 8, 2017 at Kohls.

- Santa Pictures scheduled for December 2, 3, and 4, 2017.

- Projects currently under construction in O'Fallon include: the Justice Center which he toured; discussion held regarding several walls that were lined with Kevelar for security purposes within this building, but could pose a challenge for fire crews in certain instances. The new EOC (Emergency Operations Center) will be able to withstand an E4 tornado and be self-sufficient for 30 days. A new Club Fitness Center is going into the former Sears store at K&N. Hillmann Place Apartments adding 11 buildings. An 8-unit strip store is being constructed on Joseph Street behind 119 East Elm Street.

D) Chief Vineyard

- Financial Overview:

- The District is in good financial shape. Prop SAFETY tax funds will start being received by the District in 2018. Financially, the District remains conservative and is staying within our budget.

- The District plans to hire 12 additional Firefighters-Paramedics; 6 in the fall of 2017 and 6 in the spring of 2018. Station renovations will need to be completed prior to hiring to be able to accommodate the additional employees. From this point on the District will only hire Firefighter-Paramedics. Discussion held on the difference between EMTs and Paramedic duties.

- Station #5's rehab will be a complete gut of the living quarters and it's currently in the Design and Development Phase. Station #4 concept drawings were just completed and are being reviewed; considering either a complete interior rehab/gut, or tear down and rebuild of this station depending on the cost; the training tower and engine bays will remain intact. Stations #4 and #5 will remain in-service throughout the renovations. Actual costs will be known once these projects go out for bid.

- The ALS committee has been convening and in the process of applying for the District to be an ALS Agency.

- The District has been re-Accredited for another 5 years; the process went very smoothly. Accreditation verifies that as a District we are doing what we say we are doing, and involves much in-depth recordkeeping, with the District required to submit annual compliance reports.

5. **Unfinished Business**

- None.

6. **New Business**

- None.

7. **Good of the Order**

- Chief Vineyard stated that Assistant Chiefs Vomund and Moore will attend the upcoming annual FDIC (Fire Department Instructor Conference).

8. **Next CPC Meeting**

President Ottomeyer announced the next CPC meeting is set for Monday, July 24, 2017, 7:00 p.m., at Station #3.

A motion was made by Director Laughlin, seconded by Assistant Chief Vomund, to adjourn the meeting; All members present were in favor of adjournment, none opposed; Absent: Avery, Donahue, Gober, Graceffa, Proctor, Sr. Michaleen.
MOTION PASSES.

There being no further business, President Ottomeyer adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.


Karen J. Lucido, Recording Secretary