

Approved, Board Mtg of 9-28-17

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AUGUST 24, 2017**

A Regular Meeting of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on Thursday, August 24, 2017, in the Board Room located in the Administration Building, 111 Laura K Drive, O'Fallon, MO. Director Laughlin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Notice of said meeting had been provided at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by posting the meeting time in the case on the outside wall of the Administrative Offices. The following Directors were present: Director Bill Laughlin, Director Matt Simmons, and Director Matt Gober. The following staff members were present: Assistant Chief Ken Vomund, Assistant Chief Brian Moore, Fire Marshal Mark Morrison, Battalion Chief Mel Emge, Shop Steward Cpt Eric Johnston, Assistant Shop Steward Cpt Darren Daly, and Board Administrative Assistant Karen Lucido. Chief Tom Vineyard was excused.

The following guest was present: Attorney Neil Brunträger; Rick Rognan-CPA

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assistant Chief Moore followed by Fire Marshal Morrison's reading of the Firefighter Prayer.

Director Laughlin made a motion to amend the Agenda by adding Item B – Administration Door Repair, under New Business, seconded by Director Gober. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Simmons, and Gober
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

Director Laughlin asked for any questions or comments regarding the Board meeting Minutes of July 27, August 10, and August 17, 2017. There being none, Director Laughlin made a motion to approve the minutes of the prior Regular Board Meeting of July 27, 2017, and Regular Board Work Session of August 10, 2017, and Special Board Session of August 17, 2017 as presented, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Simmons, and Gober
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

Director Gober stated a general checking account balance of \$1,228,508.96.

There were no questions. A motion was made by Director Laughlin to approve payment of bills as presented, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Simmons, and Gober
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None.

COMMUNICATIONS

Assistant Chief Moore reported on the following events:

1. The District's Ice Cream Social will be held at Station #3, Wednesday, August 30, 2017. Fire Safety information, free ice cream, hot dogs, chips, and water will be handed out; Star Wars characters will be in attendance, and the trucks and station will be open for viewing.

2. The District's Firefighter Outreach members participated in Dardenne Elementary's Back-to-School event last week. The firefighters grilled hotdogs and gave out helmets and fire safety information. Two crews brought up trucks for viewing. This event was a great success.

3. The District-sponsored smoke detector drive held in the Country Life subdivision was a success; firefighters provided and installed battery-operated smoke detectors and left door hangers at houses where no one was home. The American Red Cross also participated in this event.

OLD BUSINESS

There was further discussion regarding Station Renovations. Assistant Chief Vomund stated that Station #5 Renovation bid is awarded, with work to begin on or about September 5; the trailer is installed at Station #5 that will house the crews while renovation is occurring, as that station will remain in service throughout construction. A pre-construction meeting is scheduled with Layneco, August 30 to review the project.

There was further discussion regarding the new 9154 Rescue Pumper. Assistant Chief Vomund said Pierce is fixing several small issues that were found on the truck on the last inspection trip and it should be delivered next week. 9114 has been delivered with its renovations completed, and is back in service.

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NEW BUSINESS

Director Laughlin recognized Rick Rognan, CPA. Mr. Rognan stated the District's Public Hearing is set for September 14, 2017 and reviewed the Post BOE Assessed Valuation report. The Notice of Public Hearing will be advertised and posted on the District's website. The District's proposed tax rate will increase by only the \$0.25 tax that the voters approved during the last election, with the new assessment at \$0.9164 per \$100 assessed valuation. The Board reviewed the notice and valuation report. A motion was made by Director Laughlin to approve publishing and posting of the September 14, 2017 Public Hearing Notice as presented; Notice attached as Exhibit I, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Simmons, and Gober
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

Mr. Rognan reviewed the District's Monthly Financial Report for the month of July 2017. Revenues and expenses were reviewed in-depth with the District projected to remain within budget for year ending 2017. He reviewed the interest rates currently being received, and the Banks' ratings. He stated fire calls are up, with the majority being EMS Calls. The District will be hiring additional Firefighter-EMT/Ps in 2018.

Assistant Chief Vomund stated the building's back glass door was shattered by a rock while the area was being mowed, and reviewed the quote for glass replacement. Discussion held. A motion was made by Director Laughlin to approve St. Charles Glass' quote dated August 24, 2017 to replace the insulated glass in existing Administration damaged door at a not to exceed amount of \$732.00; Director Laughlin authorized to sign proposal, seconded by Director Gober. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Simmons, and Gober
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

A motion was made by Director Laughlin at 7:25 p.m. to go into Closed Session under Section 610.021 (1) Legal Actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys, and (13) Individual Personnel Records, seconded by Director Simmons. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Simmons, and Gober
Nays: (0) None

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Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

A motion was made by Director Laughlin to adjourn the Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Director Gober. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Simmons, and Gober
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

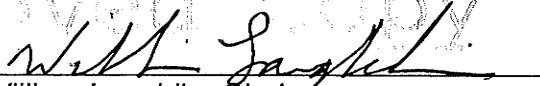
Director Laughlin announced the next Board Work Session and Public Hearing is scheduled for Thursday, September 14, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.; Budget Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Director Laughlin to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Gober. Upon roll call the vote was:

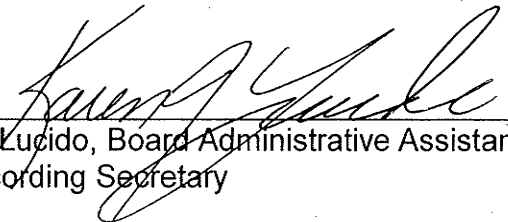
Ayes: (3) Directors Laughlin, Simmons, and Gober
Nays: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Motion declared and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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William Laughlin, Chairman

ATTEST:


Karen Lucido, Board Administrative Assistant
Recording Secretary

O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

EXHIBIT I

TAKE NOTICE that the O'Fallon Fire Protection District, St. Charles County, Missouri will hold a public hearing on Thursday, September 14, 2017, at the hour of 7:00 P.M. at Administration Building, 111 Laura K Drive, O'Fallon, Missouri, 63366, within the said District, at which meeting residents of said District may be heard concerning the property tax rates proposed to be set by said District. The tax rate shall be set to produce revenues which the budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2018, shows to be required from property tax after all adjustments are made to conform to the provisions of Sec.'s 137.073, 137.115, 113.245 and 67.110 RsMo. and Article X, Sec 22 of the Missouri Constitution.

Each tax rate is determined by dividing the amount of revenue required by the current tax year assessed valuation (less any tax increment finance district.) The result is multiplied by 100 so the tax rate will be expressed in cents per \$100.00 of assessed valuation.

The tax rates outlined herein are merely proposed and subject to increase or decrease when final figures are received by the District. The final tax levies to be set by the District shall be established in accordance with the provisions of Sec.'s 137.073, 137.115, 113.245 and 67.110 RsMo., and Article X, Sec 22 of the Missouri Constitution, and said determinations shall be made in accordance with the District's tax calculations which shall be available at the public hearing.

Assessed Valuation	Real Estate	Personal Property and other tangible property	Total
Current Tax Year - 2017 (Post B-O-E)	1,321,880,974	230,004,150	1,551,885,124
Prior Tax Year - 2016 (Post B-O-E)	1,199,400,227	226,803,163	1,426,203,390

Proposed 2017 Tax Rates (per \$100)	Proposed 2017 Tax Rates
General	\$0.8279
Pension	0.0417
Debt Service	0.0468
Total	\$0.9164

Anticipated Tax Revenue - Budget Year 2018	Proposed Tax Revenue \$	Total \$ Increase (Decrease)	Total % Increase (Decrease)
General	\$12,848,057	\$4,606,028	55.88%
Pension	647,136	52,409	8.81%
Debt Service	726,282	58,819	8.81%
Total	\$14,221,475	\$4,717,256	49.63%

New Construction Anticipated Tax Revenue - Budget Year 2018 (Memo Only) \$196,027

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI

Please Note: The proposed tax rates are set based on the latest information available to the District from the St. Charles County Assessor's Office and the Missouri State Auditor's Office, and shall be set in compliance with Missouri State statutes.

The proposed tax rates are subject to revision.

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