

APPROVED AT 03-24-22 BOARD MTG

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE O'FALLON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
March 10, 2022

A Regular Session of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at the Administration Building Board Room, 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 Gober, and Director Matt Simmons. The following staff members were present: Chief Tom Vineyard, Assistant Chief Matt Braile, Fire Marshal Mark Morrison, Shop Steward Battalion Chief Eric Johnston, Captain Darren Daly, District members, and Board Executive Admin Assistant Julie Gaylord. The following guests were present via zoom: Attorney Jon Bruntrager, and Rick Rognan, CPA.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Vineyard, followed by Battalion Chief Moore reading the firefighter's prayer.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Mr. Rognan gave his financial report for month ended February 2022, reviewing line-item expenses and income, stating that the district was doing great. Mr. Rogan stated that the district should expect to see an increase in fuel and utilities in the next coming months. Mr. Rogan stated that currently revenues are up and workers compensation claims decreased. Director Laughlin asked what made the district's miscellaneous expenses so high. Chief Vineyard stated that with the increase of firefighter deaths the O'Fallon Honor Guard has been called upon a lot to go to the funerals and their expenses are included in the miscellaneous section which is the reason for the inflation of expenses in that section. Mr. Rogan stated that the district is in good financial shape and that once again we can thank the Board of Directors and Chief Vineyard for their hard work at keeping the district financially stable.

Assistant Chief Braile reviewed the price proposal for the pipe installation at Station 4. There being no further questions or concerns, Director Laughlin made a motion to approve the Walsh Insulation to install piping in Bay Area and Gear Room of Station 4 for a total cost of \$4,900.00 seconded by Director Gober. Upon roll call the vote was:

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

Motion declared and carried.

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LABOR MANAGEMENT

Chief Vineyard gave an update on Local 2665 Health and Welfare Trust. Chief Vineyard stated that he will be going around and talking to each shift about the trust so that the shop can then vote on whether or not to approve us moving forward with the trust. Chief Vineyard stated that he will be presenting a resolution to the board at the first April board meeting for their approval.

OPERATIONS

Chief Vineyard stated District policy remains unchanged regarding Covid-19.

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

There was a discussion about updates in legislation by Chief Vineyard. Chief Vineyard stated that Senator Eigel's senate bill 649 which reduces and eliminates personal property tax in St. Charles County only is still being watched closely.

Director Laughlin asked if there was any need to go into closed session, there being no request by anyone to go into closed session, Director Laughlin announced the next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at Administration Building Board Room.

A motion was made by Director Laughlin to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Gober. Unanimous consent to Adjourn:

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

Motion declared and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.



William Laughlin, Chairman

ATTEST:


Julie Gaylord, Recording Secretary
Board Executive Administrative Assistant