

Fountain Lake Fire Protection District
Board of Commissioners Monthly Meeting
January 16, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

6:00 pm

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: QUORUM PRESENT

Jerry Vaughn (Chairperson)

John Brandt (Secretary/Treasurer)

Joe Turner

Lee Coatney

Rachel Peters

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

OTHER ATTENDEES:

AJ Sturgill (Asst. Chief), Melissa Campbell (Capt), Ben Ronje (Lt), Lenny Breshears (Lt), Marty Breshears, Justin Covey, Jarred Owens, Helena Newsome, Jeff Hayes, Zack Thomas, and Brian Shannon

MINUTES FROM MEETING:

Prior meeting minutes:

Minutes from the December 19, 2022 meeting were reviewed.

The December Minutes are accepted by consensus.

Financial Report:

John presented the P&L, Balance Sheet, Cash Flows, and P&L Actual vs Budget reports for the month of December and Year to Date through the month of December.

Bank Accounts

General Account: \$26,511.33

Restricted Account: \$10,738.16

Financial reports are accepted by consensus.

Chief's Report (AJ):

AJ presented the November report of calls. 85 total including 3 fires (brush and structure), 37 Rescue & Emergency Medical, 1 Hazardous Condition, 4 Service Calls, 6 Good Intent Call, & 1 False Alarm.

Chief's report is accepted by consensus.

Publicity Report (John):

John reported on posting about our board meeting as well as posting about highways being closed due to accidents. Posted an announcement about our annual meeting with the Sentinel Record and on Facebook.

Publicity report accepted by consensus.

Committee Reports: (John)

Budget Committee – John reported that the budget committee consisted of himself, Mr. Ed Jones, and Chief Steven Burroughs. John expressed thanks for the participation and input of Ed Jones. He told the board that a proposed 2023 budget will be presented during new business.

Maintenance Report (Steven):

- Engine 1
 - Fittings for hose connectors for drop tanks; back ordered.
- Engine 2
- Tanker 1
- Tanker 2
 - Drivers side pump needs new gasket set \$211.95 plus tax then be installed. It is on order has come in and is waiting to be installed.
 - Tank motor got damaged and is throwing oil. Brian is looking into what the problem is.
- Rescue 1
- Rescue 2
 - Needs a 4" water control valve. It costs about \$1,500. Steven said it is not a need right now and suggested we table this until next month.
- Brush 1 (Forestry)
- Station 1
 - Dirt work on office side of building tabled to next month to identify location of septic tank. Tabled
 - Back door to training room the door frame is rotted out along with the door to the office. Getting a bid from Jason to replace the frames and doors along with the side door on the East side of the building.
- Station 2
 - Office and bathroom are being worked on. Joe will be looking into a shower pan at Lowes or Sutherland's.
 - Complete the walls. Tabled until next meeting.

- Citypit.- Joe will see about getting 3 loads of citypit when the weather is good.

Maintenance report is accepted by consensus.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Grants – (Steven & John)**

- [AFG](#) grant writer (Lexipol) submitted grant for airpacks, masks, bottles (~\$151k). (1Q result) Steven reported that he is still waiting to hear on the status of this grant.

- **Smoke Detectors – (John)**

No one else has requested a smoke detector. John reported that we still have 99 available. There was discussion about letting people know at functions in which the fire department participates that the smoke detectors are available.

- **Turnouts – (Steven & AJ)**

AJ reported that he now has to check on how many turnouts we will need. The cost is \$3,162 per set and turn around time is 26 weeks.

- **Masks for SCBAs**

Steven said we are still okay with what we have and wants to wait until a decision is made on our grant before asking to replace these two. Our grant is for air packs and it is a different brand. To replace the two that are now bad will cost \$20,000 (\$10,000 each). Tabled until the February meeting.

- **Apparatus Headsets (Steven)**

Steven said we can table this item until the March 2023 meeting

- **Surrey Rd Bridge and Blacktop work – (John)**

John asked Steven if they have found a location for our apparatus when the street is being blacktopped next year. Steven said they still do not have any place in which to house the vehicles. Judge Mahoney stated that he did not think there will be any need to house the apparatus anywhere as it should only take 2 or 3 hours for the road to set and be used. .

- **Land – John**

John spoke to the gentleman who owns the land. He told John that his only concern is whether he can get a tax write off. John told him that he will check on it and get back to him. John did some research and it appears that there is a tax write-off for land donated to government agencies. John has been in touch with our attorney about the write off is waiting for a reply.

- **Proposed 2023 Budget**

Budget was discussed. \$4,000 budgeted for Station #2 needs to be deleted. John deleted the item.

Motion: John moved that we accept the 2023 budget as presented.

Seconded by: Rachel seconded

Passed: Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Checks – John**

\$412.28

Motion: Rachel moved that John order 500 check for the general account in the amount of \$412

Seconded by: Lee

Passed: Unanimously

- **Delinquent Assessments – John**

John reported that we had 217 delinquent members in the amount of \$12,150.00 John said that he will be doing our collection letters and invoices.

- **Carport for old Engine #1 – Steven/AJ**

AJ discussed the possibility of keeping old Engine #1 in a carport in the event we get a new station or possibly see the Engine. Joe will get some prices. Joe recommended that we table it until the February meeting.

- **Monthly Meal – John**

The firefighters asked for fried chicken, mashed potatoes, baked beans, and dinner rolls.

- **Questions / Comments from the floor**

ADJOURNED:

7:35 pm

Motion to adjourn John moved that we adjourn: / Second: Lee / No opposition.

Meeting minutes submitted by:

John Brandt, Secretary/Treasurer