

Fountain Lake Fire Protection District  
Board of Commissioners Special Meeting  
October 23, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**6:00 pm**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: QUORUM PRESENT**

Jerry Vaughn (Chairman)  
John Brandt (Secretary/Treasurer)  
Joe Turner  
Lee Coatney (Late)

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:**

Rachel Peters

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Chief Jeff Hayes, Johnny Arnold, and Harry Baker.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Door Project Bids (John)**

John reported that we received two sealed bids. One bid is from Reynolds Construction Company and the other one is from Greene's IPA. Reynold's Construction Company is in Pine Bluff, AR and found out about our add from a group online named ConstrucitonConnect. The bid of Reynolds Construction's bid is \$17,600. The bid from Greene's IPA is in two parts. The first part is replacing the two door trims and thresholds in the amount of \$1,094.82. The second part for the awnings in in the amount of \$5,006.88 making the total bid from Green's IPA \$6,101.70.

**Motion:** John moved that after the reading of the bids we award the contract to Greene's IPA in the amount of \$6,101.70.

**Second:** Joe seconded

**Passed:** Unanimously

- **Radio Purchase Offer (John)**

John reported that a piece of mail came in from a company who buys radioes. John passed it along to Scott as Jeff was on vacation at the time. This company has made an

offer to purchase the radios, batteries, and chargers for \$3,200.00. This offer is only effective for 10 days from last Wednesday. That is why he is bringing it up at this meeting.

**Motion:** Lee moved that we accept their offer to purchase the Harris radios, batteries, and chargers for \$3,200.

**Second:** Joe seconded

**Passed:** Unanimously

- **Lexipol Grant Information (John)**

John reported that last Thursday he and Jeff participated in a conference call with a representative of Lexipol. We had a good discussion with Allison. Allison said their grant writing fee is \$5,000, but they will discount the first grant by 50% to cost \$2,500 and a second grant written the cost would be 25% off for a cost of \$3,750. They also have a Grant Assistance Platform. The cost is \$5,000 per year for two years. For the \$5,000 each year the cost of the first grant is free and the cost of the second grant is 50% off for a total of \$2,500. They will also provide reviews on any grants that we might write ourselves and give feedback on possible changes we might want to make. They will also provide us with a list of all grants available nationwide. They will also provide a monthly conference call to see what we might need help with. Joe asked if we have money in the budget for grant writing and John said we did not have money in our budget for this year in our budget.

**Motion:** John moved that we approve doing the Lexipol Grant Assistance Program for \$5,000 per year for two years..

**Second:** Lee seconded

**Passed:** Unanimously

- **Brush/Rescue Truck**

Tabled until next month.

## **ADJOURNED:**

6:55 pm

**Motion to adjourn:** John moved that we adjourn

**Second:** Lee / No opposition.

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**Meeting minutes submitted by:**

John Brandt, Secretary/Treasurer