

**COLUMBUS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONTHLY MEETING Minutes
March 13th, 2023**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 17:40.

Present: Curt Robbins, Chuck Kronz, Brent Parkin, Debbie Parod, John Patterson

Fire Chief: Rich Cowger **Assistant Chief:** Nick Jacobs

Admin Assistant: Lisa Westervelt

Visitors:

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVE MINUTES: Minutes for the meeting of February 13th were approved as presented.

TREASURER REPORT: The treasurer's report was presented. See attached report. The month's bills were reviewed. This month's bills include some grant pass thru expenses that will be reimbursed. **There was a motion made by Chuck to pay bills in the amount of \$110,291.69. Debbie seconded the motion. Motion was approved.**

CHIEF REPORT: See attached.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Park City/Columbus potential merger

Name Change:

NEW MEMBER APPROVAL: New volunteers: Trisha Goodell, Guy LaFlex, Don Mentzer, Shannon Mentzer, Hunter Olson, Phillip Shepherd, Isobel Stewart, **Brent moved to approve the new volunteer members, Chuck seconded. Motion carried.** There were also 2 candidates interviewed for residents, and others for additional volunteers.

OLD BUSINESS:

AFG/SAFER/DOT/CIH Grants update

Brush 426:

Station Proposal: There was discussion around the concept of a joint public safety building, to include Law Enforcement, Fire and EMS. John agrees the concept is ok, but asked if we wanted to be tied into other management groups and styles. Chief can draft a letter and see if it would be something the board would like to present to the Commissioners.

Ambulance Remount

NEW BUSINESS:

New SAFER Application: We can apply for a new SAFER Grant to include 3 full-time positions, for 3 years: 2 responders, 1 training officer. We can apply and would not be obligated to accept if awarded. If we were awarded the grant, we could promote in house and then fill 3 new spots. Debbie moved to apply for the grant for 3 positions. Chuck seconded, motion carried.

Tires for T428: T428 needs new tires. We have quotes from Staley's and Big Horn Tire. Staley's was over the quote from Big Horn Tire. John would prefer we invest the money spent on good, reliable tires. John moves to give Chief discretion to select the tires purchased, stressing quality over cost. Brent seconded, motion carried.

CFSI: Debbie moved to approve the trip to CFSI for Rich. John seconded the motion, motion carries.

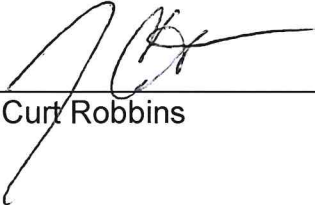
OTHER MEMBER'S BUSINESS: John tried to go and get sworn in again but Heidi was out of the office. John, and Brent, will get this scheduled.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Debbie won't be here for the meeting in April.

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 18:19

NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 10th, 2023 5:30 PM FIREHALL

Minutes submitted by Lisa Westervelt



Chairman: Curt Robbins

Secretary: Debbie Parod