

**COLUMBUS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**MONTHLY MEETING Minutes**  
**March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 17:33.

**Present:** Curt Robbins, John Patterson, Debbie Parod

**Fire Chief:** Rich Cowger, **Asst Chief:** Nick Jacobs, **Batt Chief:** Travis Hansen

**Admin Assistant:** Lisa Westervelt

**Visitors:** Brent Parkin, Derrick Gaedcke, Kyle Starr, Colton Cowger

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Minutes for the meeting of February 2022 were presented and approved.

**TREASURER REPORT:** The treasurer's report was presented. See attached report. The month's bills were reviewed. **There was a motion made by Debbie to pay bills in the amount of \$80,382.62. There was a second made by John. Motion passed unanimously.**

**CHIEF REPORT:** See attached

**MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Park City/Columbus potential merger

**NEW MEMBER APPROVAL:** Josh Bergland is a new volunteer, already an EMT and experienced FF. Debbie made a motion to approve Josh as a new member. John seconded the motion, motion was passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Brush Truck update

Strategic Plan – Update

DOT Ambulance grant

AFG/SAFER Grants

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Brush 426 repairs:** With new delay in getting the new brush truck, there is concern that we will need 426 this fire season. There is an option to replace the engine, Hanser's has one in stock. Quote to replace and install new engine is \$8800, some additional parts may be needed. **Debbie moved to have Hanser's put in the new**

**engine, total costs not to exceed \$11,000. John seconded the motion, motion passed. John would like to start analyzing the oil as a preventative measure.**

**Potential Bunk room remodels:** We are running out of rooms upstairs for the residents. We have about \$10,000 available in the SAFER grant that can be used to help with remodeling costs. We have some bids on a couple options for remodeling. The board likes option 2 but would like to see how this would fit in with our longer-term plans. **The board asks that we come back with more specifics on longer terms plans and how a remodel of the bunk rooms fits in those.**

**OTHER MEMBER'S BUSINESS:** None

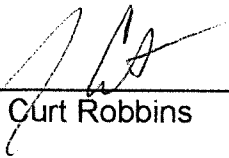
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**AGENDA INPUT FOR NEXT MONTH:**

**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at 18:27.

**NEXT MEETING:** April 11th, 2022 5:30 PM FIREHALL

Minutes submitted by Lisa Westervelt

  
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Chairman: Curt Robbins

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Secretary: Debbie Parod