

**COLUMBUS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONTHLY MEETING Minutes
September 13th, 2021**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 17:342.

Present: Chuck Kronz, John Patterson, Debbie Parod

Asst Fire Chief: Nick Jacobs

Admin Assistant: Lisa Westervelt

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVE MINUTES: Minutes for the meeting of August 9th, 2021 were approved as presented.

TREASURER REPORT: The treasurer's report was presented. See attached report. The month's bills were reviewed. Of note, there 3 payrolls in August, so it looks higher than normal. **There was a motion from Deb to pay bills in the amount of \$233,533.17. Chuck seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.**

CHIEF REPORT: See attached.

Some discussion on item #3 – additional credit cards for crews. With having multiple engines out at once, it may be helpful to get some additional cards for crews to use to cover expenses other than fuel. Board members gave approval to look into getting additional cards assigned to each truck/engine that can go out on assignment. Crews taking the cards would understand/sign agreements that receipts are required for all expenses, per our normal department CC use policies. When not in use, credit cards would be secured somewhere until needed again.

#6 – John suggested that we take a photo with Town Pump Charitable Foundation members and share/publish that as a way to publicly thank them for the grant award.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS:

NEW MEMBER APPROVAL:

OLD BUSINESS:

COVID relief funds/EMS equipment/Fund Planning: There might be more federal money coming for EMS. We will look into that more.

Strategic Plan – Proposal/Update/Station Map

Land Purchase updates/proposal

SAFER Grant updates

DOD items: An opportunity came up to get a GARC boat from DOD. This was a zero \$ acquisition, donation to the department covered the shipping costs.

T3 Engine Purchase Update

NEW BUSINESS:

Update on hiring process of new FF/Paramedic: We have 7 applicants selected for interviews on September 21. Top applicants from that process will interview with Chief. Once selected, the new member will precept with Nick for a couple weeks to get started.

DOT Grant: Waiting for final word on status

Fire Season Update: Spreadsheet provided to show our invoices to DNRC for fire response and severity staffing. To date, total billed to DNRC is \$373,045.71, with \$142,166.75 as income generated by the use of our trucks/engines. There are several assignments not yet included in this total.

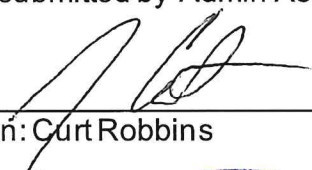
OTHER MEMBERS BUSINESS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 18:13.

NEXT MEETING: October 11th, 2021 5:30 PM FIREHALL

Minutes submitted by Admin Assistant Lisa Westervelt



Chairman: Curt Robbins



Secretary: Debbie Parod