

Lake Egypt Fire Protection District
12228 Lake of Egypt Rd.
Marion, IL 62959

Board Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2023

Board President Richard George called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call showed the following members present: Richard George, Paul Melvin, Mark Dillon, Mike Conway and William Heyde. A quorum was present.

No public comments were made. Visitors signed the attendance sheet.

A reasonable amount of time was allowed for presentation of any petitions. None were presented.

Action Items:

The Consent agenda was reviewed. A motion was made by Mike Conway and seconded by Bill Heyde to approve the consent agenda as proposed. On a roll call vote, the members voted as follows: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Old Business:

The incident report was provided and reviewed.

No travel requests were presented.

The Board Action Checklist was reviewed.

Budget Line Items were reviewed. No revisions were proposed.

New Business:

No new applications were presented.

Discussed the proposed amendment to the Policy Manual for paid leave (2nd reading). A motion was made by Mike Conway and seconded by Mark Dillon to approve the amendment as proposed, effective 1/1/2024. On a roll call vote, the members voted as follows: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Discussed the 2024 Regular Board Meeting dates. A motion was made by Bill Heyde and seconded by Mike Conway to approve the proposed dates for 2024 Regular Board Meetings. On a roll call vote, the members voted as follows: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Reviewed the Alternate Bond Levy Abatement Ordinance provided by the District attorney. A motion was made by Mark Dillon and seconded by Paul Melvin to approve the Alternate Bond Levy Abatement Ordinance as presented. On a roll call vote, the members voted as follows: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Discussed the disposition of Car 2. Chief Odum stated Car 2 is not used and recommends disposition with sealed bid with a reserve of \$7,500.00. A motion was made by Bill Heyde and seconded by Mike Conway to dispose of Car 2 by sealed bid with a reserve of \$7,500.00. On a roll call vote, the members voted as follows: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Discussed District funds that have been approved for the purchase of equipment yet to be paid. Chief Odum stated that the timeframe for the payments will not occur until the 2nd half of the Fiscal Year. He proposed that the Board deposit funds into a 6-month CD for use when the payments come due. A motion was made by Mike Conway and seconded by Paul Melvin to deposit \$800,000 into a 6-month CD at Southern Trust Bank. On a roll call vote, the members voted as follows: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Discussed the need to adopt a Paid Leave Ordinance to comply with the 2024 Paid Leave Act. A motion was made by Paul Melvin and seconded by Mark Dillon to adopt the Paid Leave Ordinance as presented, effective 1/1/2024. On a roll call vote, the members voted as follows: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Chief Odum stated a recent accident totaled an ambulance. The insurance company has agreed to make payment on a value of \$155,000 and will collect the damaged ambulance. They will not provide any cost for loose equipment and the equipment cannot be salvaged as it has been involved in an accident. The loose equipment is covered in a different policy. A motion was made by Mark Dillon and seconded by Bill Heyde to approve the acceptance of the proposed pay-out from the insurance in the amount of \$155,000 for the damaged ambulance and to dispose of the ambulance with the insurance company. On a roll call vote, the members voted as follows: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Chief Odum stated he has received a proposal for a worker's compensation and PEDA supplement to cover the District the difference between the disability policy coverage and the full salary. President George stated the premiums are based on a pool of all districts covered by the insurer. After some discussion, the topic was tabled for further review and information.

President George did not have any comments. No other Trustee had comments.

At 8:22 p.m. the board meeting was adjourned. Motion was made by Paul Melvin and seconded by Mike Conway. On a vocal vote, all members voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

President Dr. Rick George

Secretary Mark Dillon
