Board Meeting MAY 22nd, 2023

**Please see the call report attached to this email for the call report**.

1. **Codes-** Still waiting for the agreement letter from the lawyer for the cities.
2. **Sta 2-** Working through remodel options and still looking for bids.I have got 1 company to come out at look at the project just waiting on bid to come back. I am also still working on getting other bids.
3. **ARPA Grant-** I was able to get the approval to move forward so I have ordered the gear.
4. **Sheriff contract**- Received a letter from the Sheriff that stated the contract had to be signed by June 1st. Our Lawyer has spoken with the Sheriff Lawyer that stated he agreed that some things need to be changed. So, this contract has been put on hold until those items have been worked out.
5. **A Missouri Law-** There is a Law out there that states that a person can only be on 1 Board that collects a tax. The City of Freeman Lawyer and ours is looking into this to see if there is a work around. We are waiting the answer from both Lawyers.
6. **HQ Bunker Gear Room-** This project has been completed that room now holds 30 sets of Gear instead of the 17 sets it did hold. I would Like to thank Jesse Yoakum, Brandin McCuiston, Bryce Caster and Darren Bellamy for all their hard work at getting this completed.
7. **Brush 63-** Is now on GovDeals**.** We set the reserve at $3,500. The auction ends 05/22/2023 at 5pm Est. So, by the time we have our meeting we should know the results.
8. **GovDeals-** We have a lot of unused items between both stations that I will be putting on GovDeals as we go through things this summer.
9. **Rescue Q Jack System-** These have come in and we have completed the training on them. We have placed them on Engine 61.
10. **MSA AIR Packs-** The Air Packs have arrived and we are training with them. I expect to have them in service around the end of June as I want to ensure everyone knows how to use them correctly before troughing them out there. We are also still waiting on the new compressor to arrive.
11. **Pump Testing and Preventative Maintenance-** All Pumping apparatus passed the pump testing this year. Feld Fire is in the process of completing the yearly Preventative Maintenance.
12. **Vehicle Repair-** This year has not been our best year as far as vehicle repairs are concerned. We will be over budget be the end of this month as we have had several items needing repair. I wanted to let the Board know as we will most likely have to use some reserves to finish out the year if more repairs are needed.
13. **Part Time Staff-** We have had a Major decrease in the Part Time Staffing. This is largely due to other Departments paying a lot more than we do. The other area Departments are paying upwards of $20 per hour, $495 per shift and running 24-hour shifts. We run 8 hour shifts at $12.50 per hour and that puts our Part Time staff making $100 per shift. The part time staff is going to places where they can work 24 hours shifts because they can make a lot more in 1 day. With this being said I do not have any good answers to this problem yet. I am making the Board aware of this issue as it does affect responses. In June there is only 3 days where there is 2 people on the schedule. There is 10 days only 1 person is scheduled and 9 days no one is schedule.
14. **Web Site-** Streamline offers a full transparent web site that meets State Laws and gives us a place to store our meeting dates and meeting minutes for the public to see. Since Covid State Law now states we have to a have a virtual option for meetings which we do through Zoom. But we do not post that in a virtual way. A web site would allow for that. Streamline is the cheapest I have been able to find at $90 per month.
15. **Possible June Meeting-** 20th, 2023 @1600 Hours

**End of report C*hief Jason Honderick***

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