

Minutes of the Fern Creek Fire Protection District Board of Trustees video teleconference meeting May 11, 2020 7:00 p.m.

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Meeting called to order by Chairman Bannon at 7:03 p.m.

Members present via video teleconference: D. Bannon, C. Bauer, T. Deloch, S. Pierce, H. Ott, E. Brown, and D. Shewmaker

Guest present via video teleconference: Chief Mulvey, Lt. Colonel Evans, Capt. Neal, N. Daugherty, Attorney Mark Leach and various Chief Officers and members of the Department and public.

Motion Brown, 2nd Shewmaker to approve April minutes as presented. MC

Motion Pierce, 2nd Ott to approve April financial reports as presented. MC

Announcements & Correspondence

- Deadline to turn in Property Owner Trustee nomination forms was today at noon. 2 nomination forms have been submitted, Charles J Bauer JR and Charles M. Schmidt.
- Property Owner Trustee election will be Saturday June 27th, 11-2 p.m., station # 1. Board discussed possible solutions if social distancing is still required.
- Crusade has been rescheduled to August 8th and 9th. Concerns expressed over temperature at that time of the year. Chief to meet with Crusade later this month to address issues.
- Denton Group legislation update: Reported on how Covid-19 has affected current legislation. The following bills have passed: HB 8 requires ground ambulances to pay a Medicaid ambulance service provider assessment fee per quarter; HB 484 transfers the CERS (County Employee Retirement System) to their own administration board; SB 5 requires Special Purpose Government entities to submit their budgets to the local governing body but Chapter 75 Districts are excluded.

Old Business

- Due to Covid-19, no progress has been made on the revision of Volunteer handbook and any other District/Department documents.
- To clarify last month's motion regarding a tax rate increase, Motion Bauer, 2nd Brown to increase the tax rate to .17 cents per \$100 for all taxes, including but not limited to, real, personal, tangible, motor vehicles, watercraft, inventory and aircraft. Roll call vote: Bauer – yes, Shewmaker – yes, Brown – yes, Deloch – yes, Pierce – yes, Ott – yes. MC unanimously

Chief and Committee Reports

Chief Mulvey: presented run totals and response times; no injuries to report; documenting possible exposures when in contact with someone with Covid-19; # 7181 received minor damage while in the shop; Thanks to Lt.

Col. Evans, we have received 18 new appliances from a grant he applied for with GE; discussed possible delay in receiving tax revenue due to Covid-19.

Chief Officers:

Lt. Col. Evans: trainings continue to be completed on a company level or virtually. State is offering several virtual trainings. KME should begin finalized training on # 7131 in 4-6 weeks.

Deputy Chief Storrie: The fireman's fund has received a \$200 donation from participating in a community parade; reminded everyone to log their fitness information.

Lt. Col Hutchens: no report

Captain Elstone: report included announcement of 2 new subdivisions, a new car wash and approval of a senior living facility within the District. Also, reported that Panera Bread is under construction in Southpointe Commons.

Captain Neal: We have received our first billable income deposits, totaling around \$2800.00. Call volume is down throughout the state due to the virus. We have received Medicare approval as an approved care provider. Reported on call times and explained that calls made outside our district effect our run times. Trustee Ott would like to see run times separated between in-district and out of district.

Major Schmidt: no report

Major Newman: 7710 is our new worker's comp carrier.

Committees: No other reports


New Business

- 20/21 budget was presented and discussed, including the possibility of a possible decrease in tax revenue. Motion Brown, 2nd Pierce to approve the 20/21 budget as presented. MC unanimously
- Motion Ott, 2nd Shewmaker to approve our summer intern, Jacob Key as an active member. MC
- Motion Ott, 2nd Shewmaker to approve Alex Shultz as an active member to serve as our Chaplin. MC
- Attorney Leach presented a suggested resolution regarding EFMLEA (Emergency Family Medical Leave Expansion Act) and EPSLA (Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act). Motion Brown, 2nd Bauer to approve the resolution, titled 2020-1, as presented. MC
- Motion Pierce, 2nd Deloch to approve property owner trustee nomination forms for Charles J Bauer JR and Charles M. Schmidt. MC
- Chairman Bannon acknowledged the District's continued use of Attorney Mark Leach for EMS related business.
- Chairman Bannon reported on a complaint letter received against an employee. The complaint letter was processed according to KRS 75.130. Chairman Bannon reported that he found no grounds for the complaint and thus, no disciplinary action is necessary. Trustee Ott suggests preserving all documentation regarding the situation. Chairman Bannon advised that all documentation would be preserved.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Tracy Deloch, Secretary


Nancy Daugherty, Recorder

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