

**Minutes of the Fern Creek Fire Protection District  
Board of Trustees  
June 14, 2021, 7:00 p.m.**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent declarations of national and state of emergencies, no physical location for the public was provided except for members of the board and essential FD members. The meeting of this board was held via video teleconference using Gotomeeting.com via access code 209-264-573. A meeting invitation has been sent to each individual board member. The Public was invited to attend via video conferencing, <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/209264573> or via telephone by calling 1-872-240-3212. **Access Code:** 209264573. Board members were notified via email and notice to the public was provided via posting at station # 1, station # 2 and also on our website.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Ott at 7:00 p.m.

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

Guest present: Chief Mulvey, Deputy Chief Evans, Deputy Chief Storrie (online), Major Elstone, Major Neal (online), Lt. Col. Hutchens, Daugherty and Attorney Leach

Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pierce to approve May minutes as presented. MC unanimously

Motion Pierce, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brown to approve May financial reports as presented. MC unanimously

### **Announcements & Correspondence**

- Current bank statements were available for review.
- March minutes filed and stamped with the Jefferson County Clerk on 04/28/2021.
- Next JCSFS meeting will be June 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. @ Buechel FPD.
- Firefighter Trustee election will be Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 11-2 p.m., station # 1. Absentee voting will be held at stat # 1 on June 21<sup>st</sup> at 9 am and 7 pm and also June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9 am.
- July 7<sup>th</sup> Awards Ceremony at FC High School @ 6:30 p.m.
- Audit is scheduled for July 19-21<sup>st</sup>.
- 2021 Crusade total was \$185,276.79
- Denton Group May report: *discussion on rebidding of Medicaid managed care contract; CON for ambulances and the availability of federal funding for Covid-19 to Chapter 75 districts.*

### **Old Business**

- Funding for the Pierce apparatus loan was disbursed to Pierce Mfg. on June 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Chief Mulvey presented his projected purchasing and building maintenance/improvement list along with his vehicle replacement plan. Discussion followed. Ott, Bauer, Bannon and Chief Mulvey will serve on a long-term building planning committee.
- Lt. Col. Hutchens reported on the Department's social events - will participate at Morning Pointe's community event on the 26<sup>th</sup>; Social App should be live soon; home build is scheduled for 7/10; discussion to have banquet in January.

### **Chief and Committee Reports**

**Chief Mulvey:** Chief's report included fire and EMS run numbers and response times; the tremendous loss of Sgt Kyle Adams; resignation received from EMT S. Norton. Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deloch to accept Norton's resignation from fulltime position and to move EMT Norton to the position of PRN. MC; FF Moran will be out on medical leave for an undetermined amount of time; Motion Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bannon to approve hiring of A. Price to the position of Captain. MC; Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brown to accept with regrets the resignation of FF Morgan Brantley and FF Josh LaMaster. MC; discussed the American Relief Act funding that have been awarded to the City of

Louisville, which should be disbursed to the local governments; FC Christian Church has raised enough funds to provide 4 Safe Haven Baby boxes – one will be placed in our community and the others will be positioned throughout the county to best serve the needs of the community.

Deputy Chief Storrie: reported on fireman's fund balance; working with Chief Goldsmith to compare our ISO report with Highview's.

Deputy Chief Evans: reported on upcoming trainings; PTSD training was conducted for the members pertaining to the passing of Sgt Adams and add'l trainings will be held in the future.

Lt. Col. Hutchens: reported under old business.

Major Elstone: Panera Bread is open; 3 story senior living apartments project is progressing.

Major Neal: Being awarded Silver Plus by the American Heart Association; KBEMS inspection is 6/22; Mt. Washington EMS started orientation today and will start making runs in 2 weeks; Dominique Berardesca and Tori-Ann Buckholtz will be receiving certified letters due to non-participation; Open position due to EMT Norton's leaving. Motion Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deloch to fill vacant EMT and also the open paramedic position based on the hiring committee's recommendation. MC

### **New Business**

- Revised 20/21 budget presented. Motion Pierce, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bauer to accept as presented. MC
- Approve 2021 tax rate for all taxes. Motion Bannon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brown to approve a seventeen (17) cent tax rate (10 cents fire/7 cents EMS) for 2021 for all taxes, including but not limited to real, personal, tangible, motor vehicle, watercraft, inventory and aircraft. MC
- Sick/PTO leave donation policy presented by Deputy Chief Evans. Motion Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bauer to approve with noted change. MC
- Susan Pierce's reappointment has been approved by the Mayor. Metro Council still needs to approve.
- Sgt Scott Roeder will be retiring as of August 1<sup>st</sup>. His last day of work will be June 29th. Ceremonies will be held in July. Chief will be posting (2) Sgts positions which will potentially open up Firefighter positions.
- Motion Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deloch to go into a closed meeting at 8:40 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue. MC  
Motion Bannon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Deloch to reopen meeting at 8:53 p.m. MC
- Motion Bannon 2<sup>nd</sup> Deloch, in recognition of the service provided by Sgt Adams, to continue his pay thru July 31, 2021, because his death was within 30 days of his retirement and the funds are already budgeted. MC

### **Adjournment**

Motion Bannon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bauer to adjourn at 8:56 p.m. MC

Respectfully submitted,

  
Tracy Deloch, Secretary

  
Nancy Daugherty, Recorder

*All related material and correspondence, as specified by KRS 75.240, is available for review, according to the open records law, at the Fern Creek Fire Protection District's office located at 6200 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40291*