

# Minutes of the Fern Creek Fire Protection District Board of Trustees meeting September 13, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

In order to provide the highest level of public access, the Fern Creek Fire Protection District, in accordance with KRS 61.826 and recent Kentucky Supreme Court rulings, is providing access to all members of the public, both at a physical location at 6200 Bardstown Road, as well as via a video teleconference which can be accessed as presented on our website. It is understood that any board member attending via video teleconference must be able to be seen and heard, and in the event that there is a technology issue, provided a quorum remains, that trustee(s) will be able to attend the meeting, but may not vote until audio and video are reestablished. If enough trustees are unable to vote due to remote technology issues such that a quorum no longer remains, the meeting will be adjourned.

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A meeting invitation has been sent to each individual board member via email and notice to the public was provided via posting at station # 1 and also on our website.

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

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

Guest present: Chief Mulvey, Deputy Chief Evans, Deputy Chief Storrie, Attorney Leach (virtual), Major Elstone, Major Schmidt, J Crawford (virtual), N. Daugherty, J. Epley, G. Price and A. Dossey and an unnamed caller.

Major Schmidt read the names of those First Responders who have recently passed. A moment of silence was observed.

- Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shewmaker to approve August minutes as presented. MC unanimously
- Review of August provisional financial reports as presented.

## **Announcements & Correspondence**

- Current bank statements were available for review.
- June minutes filed and stamped with the Jefferson County Clerk on August 2, 2021.
- August monthly statistics were available for review.
- Denton Group August report: Restriction of Governor's ability to declare an emergency; special session(s); open Seat; deteriorating ambulance coverage within the state. Chief updated Board on some upcoming legislation issues, including KAR 815 regarding fire inspections.

## **Old Business**

- Pierce reported that the audit is progressing with anticipation to present in October
- Chief Mulvey's review has been completed.

## **Chief and Committee Reports**

Chief Mulvey: Chief's report included August EMS and fire run numbers; Safe Haven baby box will be dedicated (blessed) on 9/22; Motion Shewmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brown to accept the hiring committee's recommendation to hire Ryan Loveall and Patrick Muse as fulltime Firefighters and to put Justin Evans, Devin Mangold and Alan Vaesa in a hiring pool for the length of one year and to allow the Chief's Staff to hire from this pool if a position becomes available within the next year. MC unanimously; Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brown to accept the resignations of EMT

Milath Lawson and Paramedic Wesley England and to move their employment status to PRN. MC unanimously  
Deputy Chief Evans: reported on trainings held in August; congratulated Captain M. Renn for being appointed to the JC Special Teams Command Staff; congratulated FF A. Dossey on becoming a certified EMT.

Deputy Chief Storrie: nothing new to report.

Major Elstone: South Pointe Commons project will be moving forward.

Major Neal: Upgraded our training platform to a level III; starting joint trainings with the other Districts; awarded the Silver Heart Plus status from the American Heart Association.

Major Schmidt: Jen Crawford will now be tracking physicals.

Lt. Col. Hutchens: as reported by Chief Mulvey, appreciation for the family event held yesterday; reported on upcoming events


### **New Business**

- Attorney Leach's recommendations to the Military Leave Policy was presented. Motion Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bauer to approve the military leave policy as presented with the recommended change from twenty-one days to one hundred sixty- eight (168) hours. MC unanimously.
- Motion Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shewmaker to add Chief Mulvey as a voting representative with the JCSFS. MC unanimously
- The Nationwide 401(a) plan for the volunteers must be restatement every six years. Trustee Bauer has reviewed and approved the plan documents. Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shewmaker to accept the changes in the plan and to approve the following Resolution:  
*Be it resolved that the form of amended Plan and Trust effective January 1, 2021, presented to this meeting is hereby approved and adopted and that an authorized representative of the Employer is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the Administrator of the Plan one or more counterparts of the Plan.* MC unanimously
- Motion Shewmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brown to close the meeting at 7:58 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue. MC unanimously
- Motion Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shewmaker to reopen the meeting at 9:00 p.m. MC unanimously
- *No action taken during closed meeting*

### **Adjournment**

Motion Shewmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brown to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. MC unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Tracy DeLoch, Secretary

  
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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*