

**Minutes of the Fern Creek Fire Protection District  
Board of Trustees  
February 14, 2022, 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, [www.FernCreekFire.com](http://www.FernCreekFire.com) . 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.

The following GoToMeeting link has been provided for those not able to or those choosing not to attend in person:

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**Access Code:** 174-824-221

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 Chaiman Ott at 7:03 p.m.

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

Guest present: Chief Mulvey, Chief Jones, Col Evans, Col Storrie, Major Burd, N. Daugherty, J. Crawford, Major Neal, Major Elstone, Attorney M. Leach, various members of FC & Buechel FPD.

- Motion Pierce, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bauer to approve January minutes as presented. MC unanimously
- Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brown to approve January financial reports as presented. MC unanimously
- Motion Deloch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pierce to approve January steering committee's minutes as presented. MC unanimously

### **Announcements & Correspondence**

- Current bank statements were available for review.
- Tax deposit received 02/10 in the amount of \$81,192.60
- Denton Group January report: *Session continues. Board receives updates periodically via email.*

### **Old Business**

- Daugherty's review has been completed.
- Banquet - waiting on estimated delivery of awards before a date can be set; Bannon and Hutchens to continue working on plans & details.

- Station # 2 exterior painting/contract revision - Chief contacted contractor with concerns brought up at last month's meeting; Painter is not able to complete the work as specified; Chief will rebid job.
- Bid process will begin soon for station #2's parking lot paving.
- Nominal fee program: Chairman Ott would like to meet with all the volunteers to discuss in full detail the financial liability issue with the KY Retirement System. Meeting will be held within the next few weeks and Board will discuss next month.

### **Chief and Committee Reports**

Chief Mulvey: Chief's written report included monthly run volume and response times; grants awarded; no update on ARPA funding; Safety Committee has been established; request to dispose of 13 SCBA bottles. Motion Bannon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pierce to approve disposal of 13 SCBA bottles. MC; discussed station remodeling.

Colonel Evans: reported on monthly trainings and the positive effects of the interlocal agreement with Buechel; Zoneton FPD has withdrawn their name from the Fire Academy.

Colonel Storrie: reported on fireman's fund balance; updated Board on process of new apparatus.

Asst. Chief Hutchens: reported on January community events; discussed Community Center property.

Major Elstone: iPads purchased for FP Bureau; reported on District (including Buechel) developments; office has been relocated to Buechel; working on building ESO for inspections and properties in Buechel/Camp Taylor areas.

Major Neal: KBEMS inspection will be next week.

### **New Business**

- Chief Mulvey presented information regarding the proposed merger with Buechel FPD. Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bannon to approve the Fern Creek Fire Protection District to merge with Buechel Fire Protection District as of July 1, 2022, with the signing of the merger agreement to be completed in May by the Board Chairperson and the filing of the merger agreement with the Mayor's Office to occur in June 2022. MC unanimously
- Auditor engagement letter received. Motion Bauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bannon to accept Jones Nale and Mattingly as our auditors for FYE 06/2022 at a fee not to exceed \$12,700.00. MC unanimously
- Term expirations: Tracy Deloch (Mayor appointed) and Dan Bannon (Property Owner Elected) terms will expire June 30, 2022. Notification will be sent to the Mayor's office for the expiration of Deloch's term. Nominations for the Property Owner position are due by noon, May 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Captain Shewmaker expressed his concerns regarding HB 135 which is related to the KY Pension. Discussion followed. Recommends financial planning class for the members.

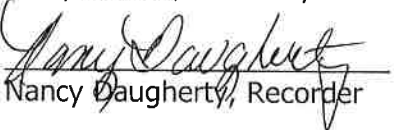
### **Adjournment**

Motion Bannon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pierce to adjourn meeting at 8:16 p.m. MC unanimously

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*