BOARD OF DIRECTORS Sue Curths Tom Marks Mike Welter

CHIEF OF DISTRICT Kyle McMann



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MARION COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS Meeting Minutes October 15, 2020 Meeting on ZOOM

6:00 pm

The board meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Director Welter. Also present was Director Marks, & Director Curths. Director Sieng & Director Batchelor were not present. Others present were Chief Lee, Anna Kraemer, Crystal Wooldridge, & Anita DeVilliers.

Zoom attendance: Glen Kearns & Kori Sarrett.

<u>Agenda</u>: Approved with an amendment to move 2020 Fiscal Year Audit Presentation & Approval to start the meeting.

<u>2020 Fiscal Year Audit Presentation</u>. Glean Kearns with Accuity joined the meeting by ZOOM. He reviewed the annual financial report stating there were no issues, no non-compliance. Noting our records are in good shape and we are in a good financial position.

Proclamations, Commendations, Special Reports/Awards: None

Minutes: Board Meeting Minutes – July 16, 2020, were approved as presented.

Public Comment: None.

<u>Secretary/Treasurer Report</u>: Director Curths was unable to review with Crystal before the meeting so she asked Crystal to present the report. Crystal created, provided, and reviewed a new summary report to the Board to replace the detailed reports previously used. The Board liked the new format. Crystal assured the Board that at any time they needed more detail she would provide.

<u>Old Business</u>: Local Option Levy. Chief Lee reported that the Union has been putting out door hangers and lawn signs. Stating there will be 12,000 mailers being sent out as well. Staff did a FaceBook live presentation just before the meeting and we are continuing to work with the Liz Loomis company.

## New Business:

- Acceptance of Board member resignations. President Welter stated he had received emails from both Director Batchelor and Director Sieng resigning their Board positions. He stated that normally resignations are done in letter format; however, he recommends due to the circumstances the Board accept the email resignations. Director Curths made a motion to accept. Director Marks seconded. Motion carried.
- 2. Resolution 2020-09 Bond Early Payment. Director Marks made a motion to accept as presented. Director Curths seconded. Motion carried.
- 3. Resolution 2020-10 Establishing Designated Signers. Director Curths made a motion to accept. Director Marks seconded. Motion carried.
- 4. Tax Deferral Request. Double K Properties sent a letter requesting industrial Tax exemption at 5775 State St. Chief Lee explained the process. Director Marks made a motion to accept as presented. Director Curths seconded. Motion carried.

## Chief's Report:

- 1. Local Fire Response. Chief Lee stated that usually in September the calls drop but not this year. We are now responding to more calls with less units, relying on mutual aid when needed.
- 2. Conflagrations. 15 District personnel have responded to local and California conflagration fires. It's great experience for our firefighters. Another benefit is the district is reimbursed for wages as well as OT to cover backfill.
- 3. Holiday Events. Due to COVID19, the volunteers will do Halloween trick or trunk style. The toy drive may not do as well this year with schools closed. No food or toy barrels will be distributed. Volunteers are looking at NORPAC and other larger businesses for donations. Fill the boot will be done virtually and all donations will go to the MDA through the International Association of Firefighters.
- 4. Apparatus Upgrades. One medic unit is still out. Should be back in two weeks. Over the weekend we had one medic go out of service with a motor issue. Both grass rigs are back. One of the grass rigs went to a California conflagration fire already. There was one small issue; otherwise, everything working ok. Hoping all the fixes will keep us going for 3-5 more years.
- 5. COVID/Office Hours. New office hours are Monday-Friday 8-4.

Individual/Organizational Input: Special Presentations: None VFFA: None Local 2557: None Good of the order: None.

Public Comment: None

Next Meeting: Regular Board Meeting November 19, 2020, 6:00 pm, via ZOOM.

Adjourned at 6:45 pm

MCFD No.1 Board President

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