

Marion Fire District

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – JULY 28, 2016

The Board met for a regular business meeting at its principal office on 07/28/2016. Board Chair Vargie Williams called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM with a quorum of the following trustees: John Devine, Joyce Ratka and Kelly Ritterbush. Ruth Skaggs was absent. Chief Katie Mast was present from the department. There were no members of the public present..

On M/S/C (Ritterbush), consented to the agenda as presented.

On M/S/C (Ritterbush), approved the minutes of the Board's previous regular meeting on 06/30/2016. [Attachment #1]

On M/S/C (Ratka), approved the issue of warrants to pay current claims for payment [Attachment #2].

Treasurer's Report:

Listened to Devine provide the Treasurer's Report [Attachment #3]. We had \$ 178,756.89 cash on hand at the end of June and claims of \$ 26,610.08. We presently have a cash balance of \$ 83,992.42 and are at 115% of Budget. Capital Improvement fund has a balance of \$ 42,137.47. Both accounts reconciled with the county. On M/S/C (Ratka), approved Treasurer's report.

Chief's Report:

Listened to Chief Mast provide the Chief's report [Attachment #4] The department responded to 19 calls since last meeting. 4 medical, 6 Wildland Fires, 4 MVA, 1 Structure, 2 Smoke Investigations, 1 CO Alarm and 1 Auto Alarm. We have had 97 calls so far this year. Personal: Everyone continues to do well and stays busy with training. I nominated a Asst. chief and 3 lieutenants and they will come on line August 15. No major issues with the apparatus, 1161 over heated and repairs were \$ 498.00. Marion Firefighters have been actively participating in the fund raiser for Smith Valley "Walk a Mile". The Bobcat is here and needs a bucket. I am working on a ALS ground transport agency as West Flathead's last day is August 6th. Aaron Jones gave a presentation to start a water dive/rescue team and what the costs and benefits would be to the District.

Action Items:

No action was taken on the Ashley Lake sub-station and will be on next meeting's agenda. On M/S/C(Ratka) Adopted the sick leave policy. On M/S/C (Ritterbush) Approved the contract terms for Montana Rockworks to use the pump station at McGregor Lake. On M/S/C(Ritterbush)Approved the purchase of security cameras for the District's buildings.

Special Discussion:

Progress report on billing change to Pintler was delayed until next meeting.

Announcements:

Set the next regular meeting to be on August 25, 2016.

Adjournment:

On (M/S/C), (Devine) to adjourn at 8:30

Minutes recorded by: John Devine

Minutes approved on: August 25, 2016

Attest: _____

Vargie Williams, Chair

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- M/S/C means a motion made by the trustee named in the following parentheses, and then seconded and carried.
 - Please, call (406) 854-2828, if you wish to listen to an audio recording of this meeting.
 - Advance notice of this meeting was provided to the public via a reader board at the Marion Community Center and publication in the *Daily Inter Lake*, the District's website www.marionfd.org, and its Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MarionFireMT.