

## Marion Fire District

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### BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 25, 2016

The Board met for a regular business meeting at its principal office on 08/25/2016. Board Chair Vargie Williams called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM with a quorum of the following trustees: John Devine, Joyce Ratka and Ruth Skaggs. Kelly Ritterbush was absent. Chief Katie Mast was present from the department. Public was represented by Lily Brower.

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

On M/S/C (Ratka), approved the minutes of the Board's previous regular meeting on 07/28/2016. [Attachment #1]

On M/S/C (Devine), 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 \$ 99,978.72 cash on hand at the end of July and claims of \$ 14,442.50. We presently have a cash balance of \$ 70,659.15 and are at 11% of Budget. Capital Improvement fund has a balance of \$ 50,137.47. Both accounts reconciled with the county. On M/S/C (Devine), approved Treasurer's report.

#### Chief's Report:

Listened to Chief Mast provide the Chief's report [Attachment #4] The department responded to 35 calls since last meeting. 17 medical, 6 Wildland Fires, 4 MVA, 2 Assignment to fires, 1 Smoke Investigations, 5 Special events. We have had 132 calls so far this year. Personal: Everyone continues to do well and stays busy with training. Aaron Jones took over as Asst. Chief on August 15th. The 3 new lieutenants are Chad Pluid, Jason Hill and Neil Heino. We have 2 new applicants. The EMR class final test is on the 30th. We have 3 people signed up for the EMT class in Lakeside starting next month. 1131 failed the pump test due to engine overheating. Exhaust on 1132 was repaired and brakes adjusted on 1192. 1133 needs an exhaust leak repaired and 1121 had issues with the computerized system. This problem has been resolved. I am working with Smith Valley to provide ALS ground transport support. Fundraiser for Smith Valley raised nearly \$ 25,000.00.

#### 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) Approved the modified contract terms for Montana Rockworks (\$ 100.00/Month).

#### Special Discussion:

Progress report on billing change to Pintler was delayed until next meeting. Vargie Williams will attend the next Board of Trustees meeting of Smith Valley Fire District to discuss the ALS fees per call. Joyce Ratka and Ruth Skaggs indicated they would also attend this meeting to show support from our Board.

#### Announcements:

Set the next regular meeting to be on September 29, 2016.

#### Adjournment:

On (M/S/C), (Ratka) to adjourn at 8:02

Minutes recorded by: John Devine

Minutes approved on: September 29, 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](http://www.marionfd.org), and its Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/MarionFireMT](https://www.facebook.com/MarionFireMT).