

Marion Fire District

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – February 23, 2017

The Board met for a regular business meeting at its principal office on, February 23 2017. Board Chair Vargie Williams called the meeting to order at 6:56 PM with a quorum of the following trustees: Joyce Ratka, Ruth Skaggs and Kelly Ritterbush. John Devine, Treasure present. Chief Katie Mast was present from the department. The public was represented by Lily Brower and Dick Ramos. On M/S/C (Ratka), consented to the agenda as presented.

On M/S/C (Skaggs), approved the minutes of the Board's previous regular meeting on January 26, 2017 and Special meeting minutes February 15, 2017. [Attachment #1]

On M/S/C (Ritterbush), 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 \$ 102,590.86 cash on hand at the end of January and claims of \$ 11,319.41. We presently have a cash balance of \$ 90,487.99 and are at 61% of Budget. Capital Improvement fund has a balance of \$ 50,342.39. Both accounts reconciled with the county. On M/S/C (Ritterbush), approved Treasurer's report.

Chief's Report:

Listened to Chief Mast provide the Chief's report [Attachment #4]

Total Calls to Date: 30

Up 8 from last year this date 20 calls since last meeting on January 26, 2017, 14 Medical (10 Marion transports-1 with SMV medic, 1 Fisher River transport, 2 pt. refusals, 1 DOA), 1 Chimney fire, 3 Misdispatch, 2 Motor Vehicle Accidents (Non Injury). Everyone continues to stay busy and is doing well. Shelby and Victoria passed all their EMT testing and are waiting for their licensure. Nauni needs to do the NREMT testing in Missoula. Bruce and Kyle are in the basic wildland class tonight, making a total of 7 people who have taken the wildland courses this year. On February 17, 18, and 19 we hosted an Ice Water Rescue instructor class. We had 11 people attend, including Aarron and Dave. Tonight Jason and Gary are teaching a CPR class. On February 28, we start another EMR class that will run through the end of May. The end of April is the The Summit conference in CDA. I would like to send 2-3 people to it. Sean was here yesterday and fixed an exhaust leak on 1133. Our upcoming community events will be an Easter egg hunt and a Father's Day pancake breakfast at the Ashley Lake station. Currently, the 3 grants we have out are: Fema Assistance to Firefighters grant for \$211,000 for a water tender, \$12,000 to Town Pump for wildland gear, and \$25,000 for a power gurney.

Action Items:

Ashley Lake Building Acceptance Progress. No new information from county.

Payment of bid balance to Murphy's Excavating. No new information from county.

Request for information policy, M/S/C (Ritterbush) with one correction to time of response.

No Emergency Actions.

Special Discussion:

Progress on billing change to Pintler. Nothing reported.

Announcements:

Next Meeting Date Set the next regular meeting to be on March 30, 2017.

Adjournment:

On (M/S/C), (Ritterbush) to adjourn at 7:24

Minutes recorded by: Kelly Ritterbush

Minutes approved on:

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.