

Marion Fire District

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – April 27, 2017

The Board met for a regular business meeting at its principal office on, April 27 2017. Board Chair Vargie Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 (Ritterbush), consented to the agenda as presented.

On M/S/C (Skaggs), approved the minutes of the Board's previous regular meeting February 23, 2017 and Special meeting amended minutes February 15, 2017. [Attachment #1]

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

Public Comment:

No public comments.

Treasurer's Report:

Listened to Devine provide the Treasurer's Report [Attachment #3]. We had \$ 88,459.54 cash on hand at the end of March and claims of \$ 13,090.73. We presently have a cash balance of \$72,327.89 and are at 74% of Budget. Capital Improvement fund has a balance of \$ 50,401.42. 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]

Total Calls to Date: 54

Up 1 from last year this date 13 calls since last meeting on March 30, 2017, 8 Medical (6 Marion transports-1 alert transport, 1 pt. refusal, 2 Smith Valley rendezvous), 1 Airport MCI drill, 1 power line down, 2 Mutual Aid Structure Fire, 1 Tree down. Everyone continues to stay busy and is doing well. We still have 5 personnel in the EMR class. On April 22 and 23, Aaron, Matt, and myself took a 2 day leadership class. Spencer and Jason are at the Summit conference in CDA. Gary has 1 more weekend of firefighter academy and is doing well. 1161 needs brake work done and we had summer tire put on. 1191 had a flat tire, repaired it for \$34.00. The SCBA compressor is here and an electrician is scheduled to install it next week. Updates and Community events: Our Easter egg hunt on April 15 brought in \$441.75. Also, we are hosting another Father's Day pancake breakfast at the Ashley Lake station in June. Currently, the 4 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, \$1,000 for fire prevention, and \$25,000 for a power gurney. We will keep having some training costs periodically as we buy books, testing, and licensure for the EMRs. Pavement repairs at the McGregor Lake station (estimate of @1249.00, LHC). Tires for 1133, (estimate from Les Schwab \$3474.42, 6 tires)

Action Items:

No Emergency Actions.

Special Discussion:

- A. Ashley Lake Building Acceptance Progress- John is going to see about scheduling a time for us to get on the commissioners agenda, to discuss Ashley Lake acceptance and payment to Murphy.
- B. Payment of balance to Murphy's excavating
- C. Progress on billing change to Pintler- Leslie is reviewing and submitting the Medicaid application.
- D. Public Request for information

Announcements:

Next Meeting Date Set the next regular meeting to be on May 24, 2017.

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- M/S/C means a motion made by the trustee named in the following parentheses, and then seconded and carried.
 - If you wish to listen to an audio recording of this meeting, please submit a written request.
 - 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.

Public Requests for Information:

Lily Brower requested a copy of the minutes, agenda, treasures report, and the warrants. Received on April 27, 2017

Adjournment:

On (M/S/C), (Ritterbush) to adjourn at 7:40

Minutes recorded by: Kelly Ritterbush

Minutes approved on:

Attest: _____
Vargie Williams, Chair