

Marion Fire District

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – May 31, 2018

The Board met for a regular business meeting at its principal office on, May 31, 2018. Board Chair Vargie Williams called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM with a quorum of the following trustees: Joyce Ratka, Kelly Ritterbush, Ruth Skaggs, and Dick Ramos, John Devine, Treasure. Chief Mast was present for the department. Newly elected board member, Shirley Webster was also present.

On M/S/C (Ratka, Skaggs), consented to the agenda

On M/S/C (Ratka, Skaggs), approved the minutes of the Board's previous regular meeting April 26, 2018.

M/S/C (Ritterbush, Ramos), approved the issue of warrants to pay current claims for payment [Attachment #1].

Public Comment: Anyone wishing to speak will give their name, address, and will have 3 minutes to speak.

Public present: Sam and Chris Sampley

Treasurer's Report:

John Devine provided a comprehensive overview the Treasurer's Report [Attachment #2]. We presently have a cash balance of \$97,273.58. The Board will discuss the department's budget in more detail during the June meeting. M/S/C (Ritterbush, Ramos) review and approval of Treasurer's Report.

Chief's Report:

Total Calls to Date: 74

Same as last year this date

18 calls since last meeting on April 26, 2018

- 14 Medical- (5 Marion patient transport, 5 Alert transport, 4 non-transports)
- 1 Motorcycle fire
- 3 Automatic Fire Alarms

Personnel:

No new personnel. We are having great attendance on training and calls.

Training:

- We have completed the 2018 firefighter academy with 7 people who successfully passed the class. This past Saturday, we completed a training burn with a house that was donated to us.
- Last week the following 8 students completed their EMT endorsements: Gary, Jason, Toby, Shelby, Matt, Mike Lyles, Marsha, and Kimisha. It was 20 hrs of training and they can now start IVs, administer BLS medications, and put in advanced airways.
- Jason, Bruce, and Mike Lyles attended the Firefighter Wildland Saw class hosted by Trego and earned their A faller credentials.
- The annual Wildland fire refresher is completed, and the majority of pack tests have been done, and red cards are being issued.

- 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.

Equipment Maintenance and Updates:

- Water tender 1193 has an air brake leak.
- Water tender 1192 has a ABS dash light on that needs to be looked at before fire season.
- Ashley Lake and McGregor Lake water solution systems have been installed.
- Kalispell Ford offers us an extended warranty for 1121 at 7 yr/75K is \$4585 or 6 yr/75K is \$4385.

Upcoming Costs:

- Extended warranty on 1121

Community Events:

- Spraying down the school kids on the last day of school.
- Auxiliary will host a silent and live auction and flea market on June 23rd
- 4th of July parade and activities
- Ashley Lake pancake breakfast on July 14th

Additional Discussion:

- Grants
 - Betty Woods Emergency Services Endowment (IO drills)
 - Firehouse Subs for \$22,720.00 for Genesis Cordless Extrication Equipment
 - VFA Grant for \$1,720.00 for 8 Wildland Packs
 - Closing of Roundup for safety grant

Conclusion of Chief's Report**Action Items:**

- A. New Board Member Introductions: The Board congratulated Dick Ramous on re-election to the Board. Shirley Webster, newly elected Board member, was nominated as secretary. M/S/C (Williams/Ratka)
- B. Chief Mast will follow up on obtaining the 7-year warranty for 1121 from Kalispell Ford. M/S/C (Ritterbush/Ratka)
- C. Pintler/Collection Accounts – No new accounts to review
- D. Both fire stations will be paved on July 9th and July 10th
- E. Emergency Actions - None

Special Discussion: N/A**Announcements:**

Next Meeting Date: The next regular meeting scheduled for June 28, 2018 5:00 pm

Adjournment: 5:40PM

Minutes recorded by: Shirley Webster

Previous Minutes (April 26, 2018) approved on: 5/31/2018

Attest: _____

Vargie Williams, Chair

Date