

## Marion Fire District

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### BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – April 30, 2020

The Board met for a regular business meeting at its principal office on April 30, 2020. Greg Mercurio, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30PM with a quorum of the following trustees: Vargie Williams, Shirley Webster, Dick Ramos, and Joyce Ratka. John Devine, Treasurer Advisor and Fire Chief Mast were also present for the meeting.

### PLEDGE

**New Board Member Welcome:** Bill Tewksbury was welcomed as a newly appointed board member.

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

M/S/C (Ratka, Webster) approved minutes of the Board's Regular Meeting on February 27, 2020

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

Public present: Lily Brower, community member and Gary Webster, EMT & Fire Fighter attended the meeting.

### Financial

#### A. Review and Approval of Current Claims for Payment

M/S/C (Ratka, Webster) approved warrants paid

#### B. Review and Approval of Treasurers Report

John Devine, Board Treasurer Advisor - provided overview of Treasurer's Report - Cash Balance as of 3/26/20 = \$74,843.02 - Capital Improvement balance as of 3/31/20 = \$11,341.97.

M/S/C (Ratka, Webster)

### Fire Chief's Report & Updates

#### Total Calls to Date: 60

23 calls up from last year

23 calls since March 26, 2020

- 8 BLS Medical Calls- (8 Marion pt transports)
- 2 Special ALS (1 Marion transport, 1 pt refusal)
- 3 Motor Vehicle Accidents (MVA), non-injury
- 2 Inter-facility transfers
- 5 Grass/Wildland fires
- 1 Auto fire Alarm
- 1 Dumpster fire

### Personnel:

Nothing to Report

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

**Training:**

- No weekly, scheduled group trainings through the month of April. We did online training and some live fire training in the past week.

**Equipment Maintenance and Updates:**

Water tender 1193- nothing to report

Water tender 1192- nothing to report

Water tender 1191- nothing to report

Engine 1131- Nothing to report

Engine 1132- nothing to report

Engine 1133- nothing to report

Engine 1134- nothing to report

Engine 1181- Les Schwab recommends new tires by the next tire rotation. KC installed the rebuilt exhaust system.

Command Rig 1161- Nothing to report.

Ambulance 1121-Nothing to report

Ambulance 1122- Needs shocks and front bumper/deer guard

Ambulance 1123- Nothing to report

**Upcoming Costs:**

- Active 911 is due in June, will pay in May
- Monthly data plan for tablet
- Concrete slab for a washing station \$1300.00

**Community Events:**

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade/Carnival/Flea Market-thoughts and comments

**Additional Updates and Discussion:**

- ISO Report expected in August

**Conclusion of Chief's Report****Action Items:****A. Pintler/Collection Accounts**

Two cases were discussed – outstanding amounts were \$54.17 and \$156.34. Board members and Chief Mast agreed to attempt billing one more time for larger amount.

**B. 1122 Front Bumper Review & Approval –** Projected cost \$2500; Mercurio requested to review quote prior to Board approval.

**C. Emergency Actions – None****Discussion Items:**

**A. Policy for Patient Account Write-off –** Board agreed to write-off patient accounts not to exceed a limit of \$150.00.

**B. Drug Policy –** Tabled for May Board Meeting. Webster will follow up with Nora McCarthy, Business Resource Consultant, MT Dept. of Labor & Industry

**C. Medical Insurance –** moved to new business

**D. Patient Transport Plan** – Mercurio briefly discussed and presented Board Members with a draft overview of financial analysis. Chief Mast will update rate sheet prepared by Pintler. This will be an action item for May Board Meeting.

**New Business:**

**A. Medical Insurance** – Again tabled for May Board Meeting

**Announcements:**

Next Meeting Date: May 28, 2020 at 5:30PM.

**Adjournment:** 6:20PM

Minutes recorded by: Shirley Webster, Board Secretary.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Greg Mercurio, Board Chair                      Date