

**Marion Fire District**

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – July 30, 2020**

The Board met for a regular business meeting at its principal office on July 30, 2020. Greg Mercurio, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30PM with a quorum of the following trustees: Shirley Webster, Dick Ramos, William Tewksbury and Joyce Ratka. Fire Chief Mast was unable to attend the meeting due to obligations in fire suppression efforts.

**PLEDGE**

**Consent to Agenda**

**M/S/C (Ratka, Tewksbury)**

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (July 30, 2020)**

**M/S/C (Ratka, Tewksbury)**

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

Public present: None.

**Financial**

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

**M/S/C (Tewksbury, Ramos)**

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

Joyce Ratka, Board Treasurer provided overview of current finances. As of June 25<sup>th</sup> we are at 98% of budget. Board members will vote to approve FY20/21 budget during August board meeting.

**M/S/C (Webster, Tewksbury)**

**Fire Chief's Report & Updates**

**M/S/C (Webster, Tewksbury)** Chief's report accepted and submitted as written.

**Total Calls to Date: 132**

42 calls up from last year

37 calls since June 25, 2020

- 9 BLS Medical Calls- (6 Marion pt transports, 3 pt refusals)
- 4 ALS Medical Calls (1 deceased, 2 ALERT pt transports, 1 Smith Valley transport- their jurisdiction)
- 7 Inter-facility transfers
- 7 Wildland Fires
- 2 Motor Vehicle Accidents/Traffic control
- 1 Gas Odor
- 1 Training event (Mass Casualty at GPIA)
- 3 Special Events (Meadow Peak Skydive Boogie)
- 1 Misdispatch
- 2 Power line Emergencies

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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).

**Personnel:**

2 new personnel, one of which is a paramedic/DNRC wildland firefighter, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> new recruit has prior medical experience, but no firefighting experience.

**Training:**

- 7/02/20, Medical –I Gel airways
- 7/07/20, Fire –Wildland, Structure triage
- 7/16/20, Medical –Pt Scenarios, trauma/splinting
- 7/18/20, Fire –Joint training with DNRC
- 7/21/20, Business Meeting
- 7/28/20, Fire/Med

**Equipment Maintenance and Updates:**

Water tender 1193- KC will come on Friday to fix a tank leak

Water tender 1192- nothing to report

Water tender 1191- nothing to report

Engine 1131- KC replaced u-bolts on front and rear axles

Engine 1132- nothing to report

Engine 1133- KC did the annual service

Engine 1134- nothing to report

Engine 1181- Les Schwab recommends new tires by the next tire rotation. Glacier West Repair diagnosed the long term “Engine Power Loss” code issue as needing the turbo charger replaced. The appt to have repairs done is on August 4th .

Command Rig 1161- Gary replaced front shocks, Les Schwab replaced ball joints.

Ambulance 1121-Nothing to report

Ambulance 1122- Bumper update- bumper is complete and waiting for a day where we can take it out of service and Aarron will mount it.

Ambulance 1123- Nothing to report

**Upcoming Costs:**

- Concrete slab for a washing station \$763.00
- DEA License renewal (\$750.00)

**Community Events:**

- Nothing to report

**Action Items:**

**A.** Pintler/Collection Accounts – Two patient accounts were reviewed. The Board agreed to forward one account to collections due to amount exceeding limit for write-off.

**B.** Concrete Wash Station – The board approved the cost to be raised to \$1100 from \$763.00 to make this possible. Greg will discuss further with Chief Mast.

**M/S/C (Ratka/Tewksbury)**

**C.** Floating Credit Card – Board approved as discussed.

**M/S/C (Tewksbury, Ramos)**

**D.** Emergency Actions – None

**Discussion Items:**

- A. Medical Insurance – Tabled for August Meeting
- B. ISO Rating Review – Tabled for August Meeting

**New Business:**

None

**Announcements:**

Next Meeting Date: August 27, 2020 at 5:30PM. Board agreed and revised meeting time to meeting time to 5:30PM.

**Adjournment:** 5:30PM

Minutes recorded by: Shirley Webster, Board Secretary.

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