Westfield Fire and Rescue District

Regular Meeting
January 17th, 2023

Guests- Ron Oiler, Carol Rumburg, Robert & Sally Vaccaro, Trevor & Elizabeth Ames, Andy & Kathy Lucas, April, Avery and Kevin Lonsbury, Mason Savoic, Diana Kemp, Justin Filous, Blaine Schooly, Kevin & Lisa Derrick, Erin McDermott, Kennedy Lonsbury, and Beth Hertz (See sign-in sheet).

Trustee Patterson commenced the in-person and zoom meeting on January 17th, at 6:30 pm. Roll call: Patterson-here, Horner- here, Schmidt- here. Meeting commenced after a moment of silence to recognize all first responders during this challenging time.

Minutes to be Approved

-January 3rd, 2023, Organizational Meeting- ***Trustee Horner motions to approve the minutes as amended, should read "Mike Schmidt as vice-chair and chairperson as Trustee Patterson"; seconded by Patterson. Roll call: Patterson-aye, Horner-aye, Schmidt-aye. Motion passes.***

Comments from the floor

- N/A

Chief's Report

-Chief Cavanaugh in attendance.

-Swearing-in ceremony for Dan Pierce and Kennedy Lonsbury performed by Trustee Patterson. Family and friends were present to congratulate the two new members.

Lifesaving Awards to DeAnte Taylor, Paramedic/FFII, Chris Ridenour, Chief/EMT/FFII, Kendra Bohland, Dispatcher and James Salgiver, Sheriff's Deputy. Family and friends were present to celebrate them receiving this award.

Cleveland Clinic Lodi nursing staff and Medina Medical Control, Dr. Derrick and Dr. Robenaugh, as well as Public Relations from Akron General Hospital were all presented an EMS Institute Coin and recognized for their contribution to the care of the patient (life saved on Christmas Day, 2022). Family and friends were present to celebrate them receiving this recognition. The patient and his family were present and offered their thankfulness for all of those that contributed in his care.

Fifteen (15) minute recess for celebration with family and friends.

Business- 20 calls for the month thus far, 16 EMT, 2 fire and 2 MVA. 13 for the Township, 3 village calls, Mutual Aid (MA) to Lodi and Seville. We received MA twice.

Grants- Awarded $1,800.00 from the State Fire Marshal Marcs radio grant. Awarded $3,800.00 from the State of Ohio Recruitment, Retention and Resilience Grant to conduct wellness exams. Chief recommends removing the non-profit status as soon as possible and they are working with the FO to adjust.

Technology-transitioning from Ipad Mobile Solutions to ESO. Continuing user training and the goal is February 1st for the live version.

New Equipment- Purchased four (4) new Ice Rescue Suits through the Firefighter's Association. Chief has requested a Nisource Grant in the amount of $15,500.00 but new gas detection equipment is needed asap. Sensit meters and MSA meters are approximately $3,050.00.

Education- WFRD is hosting the FFI course at the station on Monday's and Saturday's.

Staffing- New staffing model is working well. January has been filled and most of February night shift is already filled.

Old Business

- Prosecutor's Office assisted Trustee Patterson in writing a resolution for the WFRD levy language.

New Business

- Trustee Patterson would like to hold a special meeting on Monday, January 23rd, 2023, at 3:30pm at the Township Hall to discuss the levy resolution for the WFRD. Trustee Patterson noted that Erin (Westfield Village law director) and Heidi Carroll have been discussing the language for the levy. The Board of Trustees noted that whatever amount that the Township residents are assessed, the Westfield Village residents will be assessed that same amount.

Trustee Patterson motions to approve the Fire Levy Resolution to be submitted to the Medina County Auditor for review; seconded by Horner. Roll call: Patterson-aye, Horner-aye, Schmidt-aye. Motion passes.

Fiscal Officer Report

- FO Kurtz not in attendance.
    - Appropriation Supplemental (See Attached)
    - Fund Status (See Attached)
        - Secondary Checking- $102,409.06 (money market)
        - Primary Checking- $110,963.09
        - Total Fund status- $213,372.15
    - Payment Listing- totals $38,927.04 (See attached)

Trustee Patterson motions to pay the bills totaling $38,927.04; seconded by Schmidt. Roll call: Patterson-aye, Horner-aye, Schmidt-aye. Motion passes.

Correspondence

- Resolution for Temporary Appropriations for 2023.

Trustee Horner motions to approve Resolution WFRD #2022-07 the 2023 Temporary Appropriations for WFRD in the amount of $258,021.03; seconded by Patterson. Roll call: Patterson-aye, Horner-aye, Schmidt- aye. Motions passes.

Trustee Patterson motions to pay the Fire Chief bonus out of salaries/payroll; seconded by Schmidt. Roll call: Patterson-aye, Horner-aye, Schmidt-aye. Motion passes.

Announcements

- Special WFRD meeting will be Monday, January 23rd, 2023, at 3:30pm in person to discuss the WFRD Levy.
- Next regular meeting will be Monday, February 6th, 2023, at 6:30pm via Zoom and in person.

Trustee Patterson makes a motion to adjourn at 7:41pm; seconded by Horner. Roll call: Patterson-aye, Horner-aye, Schmidt- aye. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Amy M. Banfield

Date approved: 2/16/23

Trustee Kent Patterson, Chair

Trustee Craig Horner, Vice-Chair

Trustee Michael Schmidt, Board Member