

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MADISON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR SESSION**

07-17-2024

CALL TO ORDER @ 19:00 hrs.

ROLL CALL - Roll call done; all present (Mr. Lee present after roll call)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - The pledge was recited by all.

GUESTS: Mr. Pete Richmond and Mr. Zach Stewart

Mr. Zach Stewart with VFIS was present and reviewed the property and casualty renewal for August 1, 2024. He explained that it was decided that the insured value amounts for the most recent apparatus needed to be increased due to rising costs of purchase/replacement. The renewal without these increased amounts would have seen just a 6.5% increase; 3.5 - 4% for normal inflation and about 3% due to increased exposure (higher number of calls, etc.). The renewal with the increased apparatus and building coverages overall has an 11% increase. He also reviewed the coverage enhancements that have been implemented (standard with the policy, no extra cost).

Mr. Peter Richmond (Richmond & Richmond Insurance) thanked the District for its continued business and for trusting his agency to protect the District property and members.

REGULAR SESSION:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The May 15, 2024 Regular Session minutes were presented for approval.

Motion made to approve the May 15, 2024 minutes by: Mr. Adams

Seconded by: Mr. Lee

ROLL CALL: Mr. Sill abstain, 5 ayes

The June 18, 2024 Regular Session minutes were presented for approval.

Motion made to approve the June 18, 2024 minutes by: Mr. Adams

Seconded by: Mr. Lee

& Mr. Wayman all abstain, 3 ayes

ROLL CALL: Mr. Anderson & Mr. Sill

BILLS & PAYROLL - June, 2024

Bills (\$58,770.02) and Payroll (\$189,913.27) for a total of \$248,683.29 are motioned for acceptance and payment.

Motion made to approve bills and payroll as presented by: Mr. Wayman

Seconded by: Mr. Adams

abstain, 4 ayes

ROLL CALL: Mr. Anderson & Mr. Sill

FINANCIAL REPORT - June, 2024

Ms. Clapp provided a summary of the Revenue and Expenditures (Fund Summary Reports).

June interest earned was \$38,523.53. Mr. Adams asked Ms. Clapp what the current rate is. Ms. Clapp shared the current interest rate is 4.53% and she moves the money from Star Ohio to Andover to cover payroll every 2 weeks so that the District gets the most interest.

Ms. Clapp reminded all that they must complete the State Auditor Fraud Reporting Training, print off the certificate, print and sign the acknowledgement of receipt and return to Laurie or her.

OPENING PUBLIC PORTION - None.

LEGAL COUNSEL

Mrs. Dame stated that the only item she has is that there is a request for an Executive Session as noted on the meeting agenda, per ORC 121.11(G)(1).

COMMITTEE REPORTS - None to report.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #24-15 - Approving the Property & Casualty renewal effective 08-01/2024 and authorizing premium payments totalling \$56,752.00.

Motion to accept Resolution #24-15 made by: Mr. Adams

Seconded by: Mr. Wayman

ROLL CALL: All ayes

CHIEF'S REPORT

Anniversaries:

FF Greg Strubbe - 2 years, FF Frank Marcelli - 2 years, Lt. Dustin Sample - 24 years, & Captain Terry Sopko - 37 years. Congratulations to all and thank you for your dedicated service to Madison Fire!

Financial: EMS revenue is 64.2% of yearly projection while tax revenue is 61.9% of budgeted collection YTD.

Staffing: Continues to be fluid but stable Some overtime has been needed to cover vacation and sick time. Three (3) new part time members have been hired and are scheduled to begin the next couple of weeks.

Volume: The District responded to 293 calls for service in June. On pace for 3812 calls in 2024 (3720 in 2023).

Inspections: Remain on-going; see report in your folder.

Vehicles:

The newest engine, #2133, is currently out getting warranty work (site glass and expansion tank work) and is expected back soon.

Squad #2122 has been fully repaired from the deer accident and is back in service.

Buildings: Ongoing general maintenance and cleaning only; nothing major at the moment.

Other: Jet Ski training is ongoing with the warmer weather. Driver training is slated for August. Chief Meister asked if all would entertain the idea of holding a future meeting at Station #2 as in years past. All agreed that it will be determined at next month's meeting if this will occur in September or October. Chief Meister shared he will attend a meeting next week regarding the Fairport Coast Guard station and the status of it being reopened. The Ashtabula location has been re-opened Friday - Monday each week.

Mr. Lee questioned the life expectancy of the 2016 vehicles (squads), stating that it might be a good idea to consider getting in line for an additional one (in addition to the one Chief Meister signed an agreement for last month). He also asked what the payment requirements are when ordering. Mr. Adams agreed that this is a reasonable consideration for the near future. Chief Meister will follow up with the PFund rep about getting a second spot in line soon. He also shared that right now, 25% is due upon ordering (holding your spot in line) however the PFund rep is reasonable for when the down payment is due. For example, we have a spot in line per the signed agreement in June but the down payment is not due until 1st quarter 2025.

CLOSING PUBLIC PORTION - None.

CLOSING BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Adams (and all others) welcomed Mr. Thomas Sill to the Board. Mr. Sill replaces the vacancy created by the retirement of Mr. Gauntner.

Mr. Donaldson announced he would entertain a motion to move into executive session.

Motion to move into Executive Session was made by: Mr. Adams @1941

Seconded by: Mr. Lee

ROLL CALL: All ayes

The regular session resumed at 20:41

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made @ 20:41 by: Mr. Adams

Seconded by: Mr. Anderson

ROLL CALL: All ayes

Accepted and Approved: August 21, 2024


Attest: Joanne Clapp, Fiscal Officer


Dan Donaldson, Board Chair