



WILLIAMSON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Trustees:
President: Matt Lee
Secretary: David Anderson
Treasurer: Rusty Baker
Gary Hill Tracy Emery
Fire Chief: Jeremy Norris

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 10, 2020

This meeting was held during Governor Pritzker's State of Illinois Disaster Proclamation and, in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order No. 2020-07 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 5) and the Governor's Executive Order No. 2020-18 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 16), the meeting occurred by telephone conferencing.

A regular meeting of the Trustees of the Williamson County Fire Protection District was held November 10, 2020 at Station Six, located at 3232 South Park Avenue, Herrin, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by the President Matt Lee.

Trustees present by phone were as follows: David Anderson, Gary Hill, Matt Lee and Tracy Emery and Rusty Baker. Also in attendance by telephone conferencing was William Glass of First Mid State Inc.

A motion was made by David Anderson and seconded by Gary Hill to approve the agenda. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

A motion was made by Gary Hill and seconded by Rusty Baker to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

A Treasurer's Report by Rusty Baker listed the following balances on October 31, 2020:

\$ 749,879.55	General Fund Checking Account	First Southern Bank
\$ 44,624.21	Prepaid Insurance	
\$ 374,758.91	Baird	MM

Total Assets:
\$1,169,262.67

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by David Anderson and seconded by Gary Hill. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS: None

New Business:

A motion was made by Gary Hill to pay the expenses. Matt Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

A motion was made by Rusty Baker and seconded by Matt Lee to adopt the 2020 Revised Budget. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

A motion was made by Gary Hill and seconded by David Anderson to adjust Firefighter Austin Kern’s pay on January 1, 2021. This is due to his military health insurance that is now in effect. The motion carried.

Chief Norris advised the board that the health insurance renewal for the district, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois, has increased by 6.2% for 2021. A motion was made by Matt Lee and seconded by Rusty Baker to accept the renewal at the new rate. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Gary Hill and seconded by David Anderson to accept the Foreign Fire Tax proposal in the amount of \$22,291.70. The motion carried.

The board discussed and voted to switch reporting software from Firehouse to ESO. With a motion by Gary Hill and seconded by Matt Lee the board agreed to a cost of \$9,180.00. The motion carried.

William Glass with First Mid-State gave a report regarding refinancing 2018 bonds for Station 1 construction. No action was taken in this meeting.

Chief Norris advised the board that we have received the 2nd Tax installment in the amount of \$349,763.70.

Chief’s Report for: October 2020

Firefighters responded to: (35) Thirty-Five calls

13 – MVA/Extrication	3 – Vehicle Fires
6 – Structure Fires	2 – Good Intent
6 – Cancelled in Route	1 – Illegal Burn
4 – Grass Fires	

Mutual Aid was given or received from the following Departments – Herrin FD (5), Carterville FD (3), LEFPD (2), West Frankfort FD (1), Johnston City FD (1) and Carrier Mills FD (1).

- I. Personnel – Added Tim Lehner, St#1, Explorers Jacob Foster(St#1), Travis Culp(St#2) and Brent Penrod(St#2) have graduated from the Explorer program to the Firefighter roster.

- II. Current Roster is 69 personnel, 61 Firefighters, 8 Explorers.
- III. Mini Pumper update – truck is at Banner Fire. Waiting for parts to come in to finish. Seats came in 11/5/2020. Still awaiting grill guard and lights. Expecting late November 2020 delivery.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

There being no further business to come before the board and upon a motion by Tracy Emery and seconded by Rusty Baker and unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Matt Lee, President

David Anderson, Secretary