



## 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

**October 11, 2022**

This meeting was held during Governor Pritzker's State of Illinois Disaster Proclamation and, in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order Executive Order 2022-12, the meeting occurred in person.

**Dial in phone number: 1-970-474-9996      Conference ID: 016803**

A regular meeting of the Trustees of the Williamson County Fire Protection District was held October 11, 2022, 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 were as follows: Gary Hill, Tracy Emery, Matt Lee and David Anderson. Rusty Baker was not in attendance. Also present was Chief Jeremy Norris and Dean Snider, CPA for the district.

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

A motion was made by David Anderson and seconded by Matt Lee to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

A Treasurer's Report by Matt Lee listed the following balances on September 30, 2022:

\$ 256,973.88	General Fund Checking Account	First Southern Bank
\$ 10,325.75	Prepaid Insurance	
\$ 207,994.60	Baird	MM
\$ 75,000.00	Goldman Sachs Unsec mid-term note 3.1% due 7-21-23	
\$ 20,000.00	JPMorgan Chase Bk 3.0% due 8-31-2023	

Total Current Assets:  
\$ 570,294.23

**Non Current Assets:**

\$74,000.00	Prospect Capital Bond 3% due 5/15/2026
\$59,000.00	General Motors Financial Bond 4% due 4/20/2026

Total Assets:  
\$ 703,294.23

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

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Tracy Emery and seconded by David Anderson to pay the expenses. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

Chief Norris advised the board that we have received the 1<sup>st</sup> installment of Property Taxes in the amount of \$661,320.39.

A motion was made by Gary Hill and seconded by Matt Lee approving the Bond Abatement Ordinance #2022-60. A roll call vote was as follows: Matt Lee, yes; David Anderson, yes; Gary Hill, yes; and Tracy Emery, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Gary Hill and seconded by Tracy Emery to adopt the 2023 WCFPD Budget and Appropriations Ordinance #2022-61. A roll call vote was as follows: Matt Lee, yes; David Anderson, yes; Gary Hill, yes; and Tracy Emery, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Matt Lee and seconded by Gary Hill to adopt the 2023 WCFPD Levy Ordinance #2022-62. A roll call vote was as follows: Matt Lee, yes; David Anderson, yes; Gary Hill, yes; and Tracy Emery, yes. The motion carried.

Chief Norris advised the board that we have received the 2022 IML Foreign Fire Tax in the amount of \$42,007.06.

A motion was made by David Anderson and seconded by Gary Hill to accept the renewal from McNeil and Company for property Insurance. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

Chief Norris advised the board that Marion Abstract is still working on the necessary papers for the sale of Station 2 in Carterville.

**Chief's Report for: September 2022**

**Firefighters responded to: (32) Thirty - Two calls**

6 – Structure Fires	
5 – Vehicle Fires	2 – Cancelled in route
5 – EMS Assist	2 – Grass Fires
3 – MVA/Extrication	2 – Auto. Alarms
3 – Fuel/Gas Leaks	1 – Rescue Person in water
3 – Good Intent	

Mutual Aid was given or received from the following Departments – Marion FD (3), LEFPD (3), Herrin FD (2), Carterville FD (2), Pittsburg FD (1), Hurst FD (1), West Frankfort FD (1), Johnston City FD (1).

- I. Personnel – Removed Kyle Crow, Ben Williams, St#5, Lost Kamil Kuzori, St#6.
- II. Current Roster is 61 personnel, 53 Firefighters, 8 Explorers.
- III. We will be losing Logan Phillips, St#1, hired by Herrin FD and Grady Powell, St#7, hired by Marion FD and Jackson Yates, St#6, hired by Marion PD.
- IV. We are currently providing automatic mutual aid to Johnston City FD, they are short staffed due to injury.
- V. We are currently providing automatic mutual aid to Cambria FD, they are short staffed.
- VI. Vehicle maintenance was completed by Banner Fire. Select engines and tenders were serviced.
- VII. Honor Flight was Oct. 4, 2022 90 veterans flew to Washington DC for the day.
- VIII. We were able to get a grant application in for Community Wildfire Defense grant which is available from USDA, US Forest Service and US Dept. of Agriculture. We are applying for \$50K this year to develop a county wide plan. After this is done and accepted then we can apply for equipment. The grant has a 15% match. Should know by the end of the year if grant will be approved.

**Public Comment:** None

There being no further business to come before the board and upon a motion by Tracy Emery and seconded by David Anderson and unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.

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Matt Lee, President

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David Anderson, Secretary