



## 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 14, 2023

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 14, 2023, 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: Matt Lee, Gary Hill, David Anderson and Tracy Emery. Rusty Baker was in attendance by telephone. Also present was Chief Jeremy Norris and Firefighters Shane Duty and Austin Kern. Dean Snider of Snider McCree CPA's for the district was also in attendance.

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

A motion was made by Tracy Emery and seconded by Gary Hill to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2023 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, 2023:

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| \$ 135,139.08 | General Fund Checking Account - First Southern Bank |
| \$ 5,885.90   | Prepaid Insurance                                   |
| \$ 127,096.96 | Baird Money Market                                  |
| \$ 6,521.54   | LPL Cash  |
| \$ 194,000.00 | Baird   |

#### Total Current Assets

**\$ 468,643.48**

#### 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: \$601,643.48**

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

A motion was made by Matt Lee and seconded by David Anderson approving the Bond Abatement Ordinance #2023-51. A roll call vote was as follows: Matt Lee, yes; Tracy Emery, yes; Gary Hill; yes, David Anderson, yes; and Rusty Baker, yes. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

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

A motion was made by Matt Lee and seconded by David Anderson to adopt the 2024 WCFPD Levy Ordinance #2023-62. A roll call vote was as follows: Matt Lee, yes; Tracy Emery, yes; Gary Hill, yes; David Anderson, yes; and Rusty Baker, yes. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

A motion was made by Tracy Emery and seconded by David Anderson to approve the rate increase for 2024 from Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance for WCFPD employees. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

A motion was made by David Anderson and seconded by Matt Lee to purchase a new TIC from MES at a cost of \$2,650.00. This will replace the camera on Engine 2650. The motion carried with all members voting yes.

**Fire Chief's Report**  
**Firefighters responded to: (40) Forty calls**

| Week Ending   | 10/1/23 | 10/8/23 | 10/15/23 | 10/22/23 | 10/29/23 | 11/5/23 | Total |
|---|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| (10) Fire, other  |         | 1       |          |          |          |         | 1     |
| (11) Structure Fire                                     | 1       | 3       | 3        |          | 1        | 1       | 9     |
| (12) Fire in mobile property used as a fixed structure  |         |         |          |          | 1        |         | 1     |
| (13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire                     |         | 1       |          |          | 1        |         | 2     |
| (14) Natural vegetation fire                            |         |         | 1        | 1        | 1        |         | 3     |
| (31) Medical assist                                     |         |         |          | 2        |          |         | 2     |
| (32) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident           |         |         | 2        |          |          |         | 2     |
| (35) Extrication, rescue                                |         |         | 1        | 1        | 1        |         | 3     |
| (44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem                |         | 2       | 1        |          |          |         | 3     |
| (56) Unauthorized burning                               |         |         | 1        |          |          |         | 1     |
| (57) Cover assignment, standby at fire station, move-up |         |         |          | 1        |          |         | 1     |
| (61) Dispatched and canceled en route                   |         | 1       | 2        | 1        | 1        |         | 5     |
| (70) False alarm and false call, other                  |         |         | 3        | 1        | 1        |         | 5     |
| (73) System or detector malfunction                     |         | 1       |          |          |          |         | 1     |
| (74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)  |         | 1       |          |          |          |         | 1     |
| Total   | 1       | 10      | 14       | 7        | 7        | 1       | 40    |

Mutual Aid was given or received from the following Departments – Carterville FD (4), Marion FD (3), Herrin FD (3), Johnston City FD (2), LEFPD (2), Cambria FD (1), Hurst (1) and West Frankfort FD (1).

1. Personnel – Added – Zac Worthen, St#6. Lost – Abbie McGee, St#7.
2. Current Roster is 61 personnel, 49 Firefighters, 12 Explorers.
3. IDNR Grant – No new information.
4. OSFM SEG Grant – Up to \$26K, will be asking for bunker gear.
5. WCFPD will be hosting Live Electric Line training with Ameren Dec. 19 @ 5:00 p.m.
6. Reminder – WCFPD Christmas Party, Dec. 2, 2023 at Marion KC Hall.
7. Health update.

**Public Comment:** None

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

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Matt Lee, President

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David Anderson, Secretary