



West Licking Joint Fire District
851 East Broad Street
Pataskala, Ohio 43062

Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

March 13, 2025

James Kincaid II, President, opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Jersey – Dan Wetzel

Harrison – Mark Van Buren – absent

Etna – Rozland McKee – absent

Hebron – Kenney Nauer

Kirkersville – James Kincaid II

Pataskala – Tom Lee

Reynoldsburg – Stacie Baker – absent

OPEN DISCUSSION:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Lee motioned to approve the February 13, 2025, Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Wetzel seconded. Vote: Kincaid – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – abstain; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Mr. Lee motioned to approve the February 2025 financial statements. Mr. Nauer seconded. Vote: Kincaid – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Mr. Wetzel motioned to approve the vouchers for February 2025. Mr. Nauer seconded. Vote: Kincaid – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

FISCAL OFFICER:

A. Donna Hubner, Fiscal Officer, informed the Board the District was in receipt of the invoice for the MECC Medical Director, Dr. Zeeb. The District share is \$25,000.00 and would like approval to pay this invoice.

Mr. Wetzel motioned to pay \$25,000.00 to MECC for the District's share of the Medical Director. Mr. Lee seconded. Vote: Kincaid – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

CHIEF:

A. Chief Jack Treinish informed the Board that the District received a \$2,500.00 donation from the Buckeye Lake Eagles.

Rozland McKee joined the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

B. Chief Treinish informed the Board, Fire Marshal Chad Harrison had an arson trial earlier this week and the suspect was found guilty of aggravated arson. FM Harrison was considered an expert witness at this trial due to all of his training and certifications.

FM Harrison thanked the District for allowing him the opportunity to go to all the training for fire investigators and to become certified. He stated that in the past eight years he has gotten 7 arson convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONAL:

- C. Leanne Lesko, Administrative Professional, requested the Board approve the surplus inventory list contained in their packet.

Ms. McKee motioned to approve the surplus inventory list. Mr. Lee seconded. Vote: Kincaid – yes; McKee – yes; Lee – yes; Wetzel – yes; Nauer – yes. **Motion carried.**

- D. Chief Treinish updated the Board on the CBA. It is 99% completed.

- E. Chief Treinish distributed paperwork to the Board showing the amount of tax revenues the District has lost this past year due to residential and commercial TIFs and abatements. For tax year 2024 this was over 4.8 million dollars.

Due to these abatements and TIFs the District's current millage effective rate is 5.9 mills out of 11 mills.

ASSISTANT CHIEF OF OPERATIONS/EMS:

- A. Joseph Krouse, Assistant Chief, informed the Board the February 2025 stats are contained in their packet. If anyone has any questions, please let him know. If the District continues at this pace, we will do approximately 1,000 more runs than in 2024.

- B. AC Krouse presented and discussed the 2024 year in review with the Board.

- C. AC Krouse informed the Board, Licking County Sherriff's donated two MARCS radios for the support truck.

- D. AC Krouse informed the Board that this past Tuesday, 3 unit, was sent on a grass fire at Palmer and Smoke Rd.

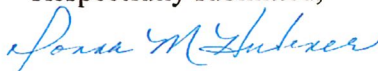
- E. AC Krouse informed the Board, AC Magers is holding leadership and development training at CTEC.

LOCAL 3025:

- A. Tom Barnhill, President of Local 3025 informed the Board the Local did a Fill the Boot campaign in conjunction with Watkins Intermediate School and it was very successful.

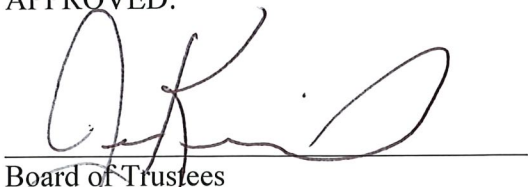
There being no further business, Mr. Kincaid adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna M. Hubner
Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:


Board of Trustees
President
Title

Note: These minutes are unofficial, subject to amendment, until approved by the Fire Board Members.