

Plattsmouth Rural Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2016 @ 7 p.m.

Calling the meeting to order – Acknowledgement of Open Meetings Law

President Parshall called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. President Parshall acknowledged the Open Meetings Poster located on the wall of the Fire Department Training Room and is available for review. Notice of the meeting was advertised in the Plattsmouth Journal, which is an approved publication of the Rural Fire Board and it was posted at the Post Office, and on the front door of the rural fire station along with a copy of the agenda.

***Roll Call**

Board members present were Shane Parshall, Lynn Vinduska, Janet McCartney, Neal Langan.

John Holdridge was absent. A quorum was present.

Public Forum – Reception of Delegates

- No one came forward.

***Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The February monthly meeting minutes were reviewed by the Board. Motion was made by Mrs. McCartney that the minutes be approved. Seconded by Mr. Langan. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 absent

***Treasurer's Report**

1. See attachment #1 for the bills and payments for the month of February. Motion by Mr. Vinduska and second by Mr. Langan to pay all bills as submitted and accept the Treasurer's Report. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent Motion carried.

***+OLD BUSINESS**

S.I.D. 5 Board: Will allow repeater tower to be used for first responder communications. Lt. Shrimpton will work with the S.I.D. Board.

***+Committee Report**

1. Inter-local Agreement Negotiation Committee Report

Inter-local Negotiation team will meet with the city team on March 16. The quarterly advisory meeting will be April 13.

On February 8 the committee met with city reps. (Mayor, 2 city council members and city administrator). The committee exchanged ideas. The next meeting will be two hour workshop with written ideas. City Councilmen Riese said he no problem having an OPEN MEETING and it's rules for the quarterly Advisory meeting. This will be studied.

No actions are needed to be taken.

2. Insurance Committee Report

We will drop Travelers Insurance because the City covers Workers' Comp through EMC.

Property insurance –Firepac through Continental Western
A & L-Provident though board
Life insurance-Fortdearborn through city
No action was needed.

3. Website Development

Mrs. McCartney met with City Officials on Feb. 11 and is working on a link with the City site to include rural fire information. Mrs. McCartney made a motion to proceed with the website link, with the City. Calling it the Rural Fire District Second by Mr. Langan. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent Motion carried.

4. Cass County Rural Water District

John Holdridge agreed to chair this committee. He will be reporting in the future. Concern continues over Rural Water District declining use of rural fire hydrants for rural fires. A letter from the Rural Water District remains in effect. Chief Wilson has an operational plan to deal with not using rural water district hydrants.
No action need.

New Business

Committee Reports

1. Fire Chief Report by Chief Mike Wilson

- a. Total calls for the month are: 14
Total Rural for the month= 6 City calls= 8 Mutual Aid = 1
- b. Membership update: 45 members.
- c. Equipment: In house training is continuing. 842-- The Pump froze in the cold weather. Repairs will be needed. Chief Wilson wants some Class A foam. Mr. Vinduska made a motion to purchase 10 five gallon pails of Class A foam at a cost of about \$100 per pail. Mr. Langan seconded the motion. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent Motion carried.

Update report about the truck hitting the rural station. Heater pipe was hit. The trucking company will pay for the damages.

The firemen are planning on sprucing up the fire building with new paint and possible lighting updates. An est. of \$3600 to paint rural bays, walls and bathroom. An est. on lighting is being researched.

Rope training is still going on. Press release will be in the near future. Lights in for Trevor II are in and we will be installed soon. SCBA bottles are in need of hydro testing \$17.50 per bottle and the department has about 60 bottles. Replacement will need to be done 3 years from now at a cost today of \$276,000. Grants are being reviewed. No action need on these items at this time.

Motion was made by Mrs. McCartney and seconded by Mr. Langan to accept the Fire Chief's report.

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 absent Motion carried.

d. Firemen and EMS recognition dinner will be held March 19 at the St. John's Gym.

2. EMS Director Communications

EMS Captain Jeremy Bailiff represented the EMS.

63 calls last month, 48 members, Outside city volunteer of 472 hour donated.

New ambulance in service. Training is being held on site. 11 EMT's are certified in IV.

Motion was made by Mrs. McCartney and seconded by Mr. Langan to accept the Captain report.

4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 absent Motion carried.

3. Plattsmouth Volunteer Firefighters Association

Upcoming event is the Easter Egg hunt on March 26.

No action needed.

Executive Session 1

"For the protection of the public interest and/or the needless injury to the reputation of an individual may I have a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss current negotiations strategy, discuss legal communications from Board Attorney."

In-Motion -Mr. Langan Second – Mrs. McCartney Roll Call: 4 Ayes 0 Nay 1 Absent Time: 9:15 p.m.

(REPEAT MOTION :) "AGAIN FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST THE BOARD WILL GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, STRATEGY, DISCUSS LEGAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARD ATTORNEY.

"We request the public to step out of the room while we are in executive session."

Went back into the Public meeting and called for the motion to come out.

Out Motion- Mr. Langan Second- Mrs. McCartney Roll Call 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent Time: 9:54 p.m.

REPEAT MOTION: AGAIN FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST THE ONLY ITEM DISCUSSED WHILE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS TO DISCUSS CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS STRATEGY, and DISCUSS LEGAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARD ATTORNEY.

No action was needed after the executive session.

Other Business

1. Board Member Communications/Comments

Fireman Lee Bogel is taking treatments. Board hopes for a full recovery.

2. Next Meeting

Next Regular meeting of the PRFD Board on April 6 at 7:30 p.m. 2016.

Motion to adjourn

Motion by Mr. Langan and second by Mrs. McCartney to adjourn. Motion carried at 10:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lynn T. Vinduska, Secretary