

Plattsmouth Rural Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2016 @ 7:30 p.m.

Calling the meeting to order – Acknowledgement of Open Meetings Law

President Parshall called the meeting to order at 7:30 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 and John Holdridge. A quorum was present.

Public Forum – Reception of Delegates

- No one came forward.

***Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The March monthly meeting minutes were reviewed by the Board. Motion was made by Mr. Holdridge that the minutes be approved. Seconded by Mrs. McCartney. 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

***Treasurer's Report**

1. See attachment #1 for the bills and payments for the month of March. Motion by Mr. Vinduska and second by Mr. Holdridge to pay all bills as submitted and accept the Treasurer's Report. 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion carried.

***+OLD BUSINESS**

No further old business, therefore no action was needed.

***+Committee Report**

1. **Inter-local Agreement Negotiation Committee Report**

Inter-local Negotiation team will meet with the city team on April 13 at 4pm. The quarterly advisory meeting will be April 13 at 6pm.

On March 23 the committee met with city reps. (Mayor, 2 city council members and city administrator). The committee exchanged written text. Discussions were made but no agreement. The next meeting will be two hour workshop with written ideas. City administrator Portis said he had a problem having an OPEN MEETING and its rules for the quarterly Advisory meeting. No actions are needed to be taken.

2. **Insurance Committee Report**

Mr. Langan addressed the workers comp with the state. Workers comp for the firefighters and EMT personal is through the city insurance rural fire reimburse the city. Insurance is one of the

items that will need to be addressed in the Interlocal with the city. Mr. Holdridge will help Mr. Langan on this committee.

No action was needed.

3. Website Development

Mr. Parshall presented a draft letter, as Rural Fire President, for the web site. A board picture is also needed for the web site. The contact person for the city web site will be sought after.

No action was needed.

4. Cass County Rural Water District

John Holdridge agreed to chair this committee with Mrs. McCartney also on the committee.

Concerns continue over Rural Water District declining us the use of rural fire hydrants for fires.

No action needed.

New Business

Committee Reports

1. Fire Chief Report by Chief Mike Wilson

a. Total calls for the month are: 11

Total Rural for the month= 2 City calls= 9

b. Membership update: 45 members. 3 pending apps.

c. Equipment: Truck 842-- Repairs will be needed. Chief or his committee will need to research on best possible solutions to repair Truck 842.

On truck 832 a mirror was damaged, replacement was ordered and replaced. In the future two spotters will be used to assist backing into station. A cost of about \$15,000 plus may be needed for new paint and lighting. The building outside concrete will have to be addressed. The board is asking for a complete list of updating items. Mr. Parshall and Mr. Vinduska will visit with county treasurer Dick Wassinger about adding budget items to update building and possible repairs on equipment. Eight members are in jeopardy because of lack of participation for the 10% of the calls required.

Motion was made by Mrs. McCartney and seconded by Mr. Langan to accept the Fire Chief's report. 5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

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

2. EMS Director Communications

No one from EMS present. No action needed.

3. Plattsmouth Volunteer Firefighters Association

Easter Egg hunt on March 26 was held. Association received \$1000 grant from Plattsmouth Community Foundation for sonar for rescue boat. AFG grant for \$276,000 is still pending.

No action needed.

4. Discuss recording secretary appointment

Because of the heavy work load with Lynn's other committees he is requesting some help with a Recording Secretary. After discussion this item will be tabled at this time.

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. Holdridge Second – Mr. Vinduska Roll Call: 5 Ayes 0 Nay 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. Vinduska Second- Mr. Holdridge Roll Call 5 Ayes 0 Nays Time: 9:56 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 Buisness

1. Board Member Communications/Comments
SID 5 tower use for radio communication: An agreement will need to be drawn up between the Rural Fire, SID, and the City of Plattsmouth.

Fire school is May 20-22,2016 in Grand Island.

2. Next Meeting
Next Regular meeting of the PRFD Board on May 4, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn

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

Respectfully submitted by:

Lynn T. Vinduska, Secretary