

POLK COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO.1
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
May 7, 2018
6:00pm – Central Station

BOARD MEMBERS:

President Tom Snair
Vice President Mike Lippsmeyer
Secretary Joe Franko
Director Freeman Stutzman
Director Dennis King

STAFF:

Fire Chief Ben Stange
DC Neal Olson
DC Mike Mayfield
Office Administrator Susan Shepard
Office Assistant Mary Carlson

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

President Snair called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Note: Minutes will be recorded and kept for 60 months.

AUDIENCE REQUESTING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Please sign Request List to address the Board.

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

None at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A) Approval of Disbursements for April 1-30, 2018.
- B) Finance report for the month of April 2018.
- C) Approve April 12, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

President Snair – Asked how the Board would like to take the Agenda.

Vice President Lippsmeyer – Motioned to take the Agenda as a whole.

Secretary Franko – Second.

President Snair – All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

None at this time.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- a) **Update of recruits** – **Chief Stange** stated we have 10 people to start the academy. He added that one is from Station 70, Pedee, and one from Station 40, Buena Vista.
- b) **Chief Officers on 4/10's** – **Chief Stange** stated starting Memorial Day through Labor Day Chief Mayfield and Chief Olson will be going to a 4/10 work schedule. He added the schedule will be one on Monday through Thursday and one Tuesday through Friday, with adjustments made due to vacations. Chief Stange stated he would remain of 5/8's.

Vice President Lippsmeyer – Inquired as to why the change.

Chief Stange – Answered that two to three days a week the Chiefs are here until 9:00pm or 10:00pm due to meetings, trainings and drill nights, so this gives them more family time. He feels that as the Fire Chief he should be here the five days.

- c) **Apparatus Update – Chief Stange** stated there is one engine and the grass rig that still need NFPA checks. He added L91 has one issue that needs to be repaired and that should be done shortly.
President Snair – Asked if the repair technicians come here or are the apparatus sent out.
Chief Stange – Stated UL comes to Station 90 for the Ladder truck and then to Benton County for repairs and all the other apparatus, inspections, maintenance and repairs, goes down to Benton County.
- d) **Notable Incidents – Chief Stange** stated there were 181 calls in April. He added we had a house fire off Airlie Road, SW Polk and Falls City responded to help, it was a vacant house. Chief Stange reported we also had a shed fire in town, and several MVA's; one was a fatality and the other two were rollovers.
- e) **Employee Helping Sick Kid – Chief Stange** stated we had a call where a young boy broke his arm. When we arrived we had to cut away a new sweatshirt he was wearing to work on the arm. The child had been in OSHU and was given this sweatshirt as a going home gift from the nurses. Our firefighter/paramedic felt bad, looked up the sweatshirt online, purchased another one, and dropped it off to the child on his way to work. Chief Stange stated he would not mention who the firefighter was, as he wanted it to be left anonymous as he did this on his own time.

TOPICS FOLLOWING THE PREPARATION OF THE AGENDA:

Chief Stange reminded the Board Members of the Budget Committee Meeting on May 22nd at 6:30pm here at Station 90. He added the budget books would be ready on Monday May 14th. Chief Stange reminded and invited everyone to the Michael Webb Rededication on Memorial Day, May 28th at 9:30am.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None at this time.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – (IF NECESSIATED BY BUSINESS): Not at this time.

President Snair adjourned the meeting at 6:13pm.

Minutes by Mary Carlson.