

Southern Stone County Fire Protection District
Regular Session
May 19, 2011

Call to Order: Jennifer Henderson called this Regular Session to order for the Board of Directors for Southern Stone County Fire Protection District at 7:00 P.M. in the board room of district headquarters, located at 10965 E. State Highway 76, Branson West, Missouri.

Attendance: Jennifer Henderson, John Battistoni, Tim Bonner, John Clark, Keith Wolven, Carl Veneziano, Bob Ramsell, Jesse Long, Tom Blake, Sarah Sue Brockett, Jim Brockett, David Gyger, Terry Plumb.

Absent: Jerry Hageman.

Minutes: Regular Session April 21, 2011 and Work Session May 17, 2011 and Closed Session 5/17/2011.

Motion(Minutes): Motion by John Battistoni to approve the minutes for the Regular Session of April 21, 2011 and Work Session, May 17, 2011 and Closed Session of May 17, 2011. Second by John Clark. Vote: 3-ayes, Tim Bonner abstained. Motion passes.

Bills: The bills were presented for approval.

Motion(Bills): Motion by John Battistoni to approve the bills. John Clark second for discussion.

Discussion: John Clark challenged the payment of \$300.00 to the vice president. According to state statutes the vice president is not mentioned as getting extra \$50.00 for that position. Jennifer indicated it was adopted in the recent by-laws of 2007, indicating the vice president is an officer. As this was discussed further, it was the conclusion of the Board that this is turned over to the attorney for his opinion on the by-laws and the state statute so we are in compliance.

John Battistoni withdrew his motion and formed another one.

Motion(Bills): Motion by John Battistoni to approve the bills as presented, holding back check 31441 for \$300.00 and reducing it to \$200.00, pending follow up from the attorney. Second by John Clark. Vote: Unanimous.

Comments: No comments.

Fire Chief Progress: Telephone interviews were conducted, initially 12 were chosen. Due to changes in the direction of two individuals the Board held 10 interviews. As a result of the interviews the field was narrowed down to 5 with 2 alternates.

The next step is holding an assessment center for those 5 individuals on June 4, 2011 where the Board has a full day of assessing the candidates as to their reactions to certain scenarios. From there the top two or three will be invited back to the district the last weekend in June to meet and greet the volunteers at another open house. The goal is to have the new chief in place no later than August 1, 2011, hopefully, earlier depending on the candidate's schedule.

Training Chief: Carl Veneziano, representing the team of David Morad, Glenn Thomas and himself with activity advisors Keith Wolven and David Gyger presented the process of seeking a Training Officer.

Job ads were posted, May 2nd through May 20th. The media used was Tri-Lakes news, International Association of Fire Chiefs, Missouri Division website. There were 18 responses, three from Missouri, three of the applicants have graduate degrees. There is a search committee on 5/20/2011 where the team will narrow the field down to five. Telephone interviews will be conducted, then face to face interviews will be conducted the week of June 6th and a final recommendation to the Board on Jun 16th.

The Board complimented and thanked the team for a well thought-out and executed endeavor.

New Business: No new business.

Board Comments: Jennifer announced the fire fighters barbeque on June 11th.

John Battistoni was extremely impressed with the performance of the new fire rescue boat and proud of the chief and those involved in the research and choice made.

Chief's Report: Status update:

1. New fireboat is in service at Indian Point
2. Sale of used outboard motors is in progress, 1 has been sold.

3. Moving of the tri-toon boat to Hideaway Marina is in progress, as well as the retirement of the 2 previous boats.
4. The District emergency Medical Response Agency, (EMRA), license expires on May 30, 2011. The license has been renewed with the approval of the Bureau of EMS.

Upcoming Events;

1. The Coast Guard will be holding a regional search and rescue exercise in June. The District will be assisting with some safety related events.
2. The annual Firefighter BBQ is planned for June 11 at the Port of Kimberling pavilion at 11:00.

Membership:

1. New members:

Dave Rettke- Firefighter Station 6

2. Resigning members:

Brianna Stephens	Explorer
Paula Carmichal	Explorer
David Peterson	Explorer
Zack Rettke	Firefighter
John Clark	Firefighter
Tim Secora	Firefighter

Motion(Members): Motion by John Battistoni to accept Dave Rettke as a firefighter and accept the resignations of Brianna Stephens, Paula Carmichal, David Peterson, Zack Rettke, John Clark and Tim Secora. Second by Tim Bonner. Vote: 3 ayes. John Clark abstained. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: Work Session with a closed session, Saturday, June 4th. 7:30 A.M. to 6:30 P.M. at the First Baptist Church, east campus, located at 161 Heavens Way, Kimberling City, Missouri

Regular Session, June 16, 2011, at 7:P.M in the board room.

Closed Session: There was not a need for closed session.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made at 7:21 P.M.

Motion(Adjourn): Motion by John Clark to adjourn. Second by John Battistoni. Vote: Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

John Battistoni, Secretary-Treasurer

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Prepared by:

Approved by:

John Battistoni, Secretary-Treasurer

Jennifer Henderson, President

Absent
Jerry Hageman, Vice President

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John Battistoni, Secretary-Treasurer

Tim Bonner, Member at Large

John Clark, Member at Large

Approved: _____