



Holmes Fire District #1

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Holmes Fire District #1 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes November 14, 2024 @ 6:00PM

Call to Order

Holmes Fire District #1 Board of Trustees met in regular session on November 14th, 2024, at 6:00PM. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ervin Yoder and the Pledge of Allegiance given.

Roll Call

The following members were present: Ervin Yoder, Dave Crilow, Kelly Hoffee, Mike Shriver and Kevin Miller. The following staff members were present Michele Gerber, Brian Rafferty, & Ryan Peterman.

Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Hoffee made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 10th, 2024 Regular Meeting, Mr. Miller, seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Financial Report – *Fiscal Officer Michele Gerber*

- Mr. Miller made a motion to approve bills for the month of October totaling \$137,587.66. Mr. Crilow seconded the motion. Approved by All.
- Request to approve a \$14,216.00 increase to the Budget Fund 2191 for 2024. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve, Mrs. Hoffee second. Approved by All.
- 2024 financial standing reviewed with Board

Old Business

- 2025 health insurance discussion. Option given to lower employee contribution from 15% to 12%. Agreed by mutual consent to table the change until after checking language in Union contract.

New Business

- None

Chief's Report – *Interim Fire Chief Brian Rafferty*

- Gave a report on call volume, including mutual aid, and reported on public service requests for smoke detectors and address signs.
- Discussed a quote for possible remounting of an ambulance box on a new chassis. This was for informational purposes only. Cost savings were minimal compared to a completely new unit.
- Discussed meeting with Ohio Billing. Reviewed possible additional cost recovery for EMS calls and cost recovery for rescue/fire calls. Plan on implementing some of these items in 2025.

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- Emma Bigler and Cory Wagers completed interviews for Paramedic class. New Part-Time employee Daniel Mast is also taking Paramedic class through Dundee FD.
- Discussed possible uses for ODNR grant that is opening soon.
- Update on financial review. An unused mapping subscription was found and canceled.
- Capt. R. Miller and Capt. R. Smith completed a two-week fire investigator course.

Board Discussion and Open Floor

- Mr. Yoder gave a contact for grant writing.
- Discussion on upcoming closure of SR 39. Contact will be made with ODOT about getting emergency vehicles through.
- Mr. Crilow shared his appreciation for the increased attendance and the quality of recent trainings
- Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Shriver to go into executive session "To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official." Approved by All at 6:35pm.
- Motion by Mrs. Hoffee, seconded by Mr. Shriver to return to regular session at 6:45pm
- No other business or discussion.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Hoffee @ 6:50 PM.

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