



Holmes Fire District #1

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Holmes Fire District #1 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes May 8th, 2025 @ 6:00PM

Call to Order

Holmes Fire District #1 Board of Trustees met in regular session on May 8th, 2025, at 6:00PM. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Mike Shriver and the Pledge of Allegiance given.

Roll Call

The following board members were present: Dave Crilow, Mike Shriver Kelly Hoffee and Chad Curry. Ervin Yoder was excused.

The following staff members were present Michele Gerber, Brian Rafferty, Ryan Peterman, Emma Bigler & Daniel Mast.

Meeting Minutes

- A motion was made by Mrs. Hoffee, seconded by Mr. Crilow, to approve the minutes of the April 8th, 2025, regular meeting, *Approved by All.*

Financial Report – Fiscal Officer Michele Gerber

- A motion was made by Mr. Crilow, seconded by Mr. Curry, to authorize the Fiscal Officer to pay bills as presented. *Approved by All.*
- A motion was made by Mr. Crilow, seconded by Mrs. Hoffee to approve the second reading to place the 1.5 mill levy renewal on the November 2025 ballot. *Approved by all.*

Chief's Report – Fire Chief Brian Rafferty

- Presented board with the March report on call volume, including mutual aid, and reported on public service requests for smoke detectors and address signs.
- Presented resignation from Cody Priestas from full-time status. Priestas was hired at the City of Wooster Fire Dept. He will remain a Lt. at this time and will work part-time shifts after orientation at Wooster.
- At this time, we will not fill that FT position as we were up one Full-Time employee. FF/Medic Yoder will move to A-shift from B-shift to equal out the shifts.
- Announced that Lt. Ryan Peterman received credentialing from the Ohio Fire Chiefs Association as an Ohio Fire Officer (OFO).
- Former MPD cruiser was received and work progressing to put it into service.
- Reported on office renovations that are almost completed.

Old Business

- None

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New Business

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Board Discussion and Open Floor

- Mr. Crilow gave a report on the replacement of the fire safety education trailer. Discussed grant possibilities and donation options. He will be going to the county fire chief's meeting to discuss need.
- Mr. Crilow stated he paid for the replacement of the control module for the display sign, total was \$550.00.
- Chief Rafferty was asked about the open Assistant Fire Chief position. Chief Rafferty stated position will be posted soon and the process started.
- No update from Sugarcreek FD on possible sale of their boat.

Adjournment

- Motion made by Mrs. Hoffee and seconded by Mr. Curry. *Approved by all.*