

Jackson Township Board of Fire Commissioners District #2  
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Regular Business Meeting February 13, 2020

- Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM by Commissioner Vincent Rubio
  - In attendance:
    - Commissioner Vincent Rubio
    - Commissioner John Ryan
    - Commissioner Robert Redington
    - Commissioner Martin Flemming III
    - Commissioner John Alchevsky
  - Also in attendance:
    - District Administrator Scott Rauch
    - Board Attorney Richard Braslow
    - Chief Martin Flemming IV Whitesville Volunteer Fire Company
    - President Kieran Flemming Whitesville Volunteer Fire Company
    - Chief Chuck Bunnell Cassville Volunteer Fire Company
    - President Keith Novak Cassville Volunteer Fire Company
- Meeting was duly advertised as required
- Report by Richard Braslow
  - All requirements for the February 2020 election and ballot question(s) are met and ready to proceed.
  - Mr. Braslow will be available by telephone should we have any questions during the election.
  - Mr. Braslow will not be available for the March 2020 meeting.
- Administrator's report
  - See attached
- The District received an unsolicited price quote from True Green for property fertilization and weed killing for 2020.
  - In the past the volunteer and career FF's would apply these materials. The Board would consider an outside vendor only after more quotes were received and offering the task to the FF's as before for their consideration.
- Commissioner Rubio noted the minutes for the December 2019 and January 2020 meetings were recorded and reviewed.
  - Commissioner Alchevsky made a motion to accept these minutes.

- This motion was seconded by Commissioner Ryan.
  - Commissioner Rubio           Aye
  - Commissioner Ryan           Aye
  - Commissioner Redington    Aye
  - Commissioner Flemming III   Abstain
  - Commissioner Alchevsky      Aye
- Fire Chief Report
  - Whitesville Chief Flemming IV
    - No Report
  - Cassville Chief Bunnell
    - Chief Bunnell reports the acquisition of a brush truck apparatus from Berkley Township is still unresolved. He continues to try to resolve this issue.
    - The construction of the new aerial apparatus is continuing with some details to be worked out. Delivery of this apparatus could be as early as July 2020.
- Fire Company President report
  - Whitesville President Kieran Flemming
    - A grant was applied for, for the purchase and installation of a turn out gear washer and dryer. If approved, the District would be required to cover approximately 10% of the total cost, approximately \$2000. Installation will be at the Whitesville Fire Station and available to all District FF's. The grant is at the State and now waiting for approval.
  - Cassville President Novak
    - With the recent renovations and gym improvements at the Cassville Fire Station (Rt 571), the Fire Company is requesting approval for the purchase of two stationary fitness exercise treadmills. A preliminary cost is expected to be about \$1800 for both. After some discussion the Board agreed to consider the purchase but after the February election and budget process as well as further quotes for the purchase.
- Commissioner Rubio noted the bills for consideration this month are reviewed.
  - Commissioner Alchevsky made a motion to accept and pay these bills.
  - The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ryan.
    - Commissioner Rubio           Aye
    - Commissioner Ryan           Aye
    - Commissioner Redington    Aye
    - Commissioner Flemming III   Abstain
    - Commissioner Alchevsky      Aye

- Commissioner Alchevsky made mention that Fire Commissioner Bollentin of Jackson Township District 4 is quite ill and that we keep him in our thoughts.

- At this time Commissioner Rubio asked if there was any business for closed session.
  - Commissioner Alchevsky made a motion to go to closed session.
  - The motion was seconded by Commissioner Redington
    - Commissioner Rubio                      Aye
    - Commissioner Ryan                      Aye
    - Commissioner Redington              Aye
    - Commissioner Flemming III            Abstain
    - Commissioner Alchevsky              Aye
      - Commissioner Flemming III excused himself from this session.
    - Chief Bunnell reported to the Board that it is rumored a member of the Cassville Fire Company was reported to have been under the influence of illicit narcotics while on District Property. Although having not observed this circumstance Chief Bunnell has spoken with the fire company in whole regarding this and reminding all that this conduct will not be tolerated.
    - Administrator Rauch pointed out that although the District has procedures in place to respond to such a possible circumstance under the happening of accident or injury, there is no plan to address the accusation of such a circumstance by one person about another.
    - Commissioner Redington would try to locate acceptable practices and present them to the Board at a later date.
  - With no further business for closed session this part of the meeting was closed.

With no further business before the Board Commissioner Redington moved to close the regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Ryan.

- Commissioner Rubio           Aye
  - Commissioner Ryan           Aye
  - Commissioner Redington    Aye
  - Commissioner Flemming III  Abstain
  - Commissioner Alchevsky     Aye
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM