

## Pewee Valley Fire Protection District Board of Trustees Meeting June 17, 2013

Chairman Jim Brewer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Jim Brewer, Chris Haunz, Bev Keeling, Bob Rogers, Rick Williams, Joe Burkhardt, Adam Hack. Also attending: Chief Bob Hamilton, Dick Filippini, Jerry Herman, Justin Mosteller, Jeff Marklein, Steve Marcus, Aaron Mills, Gary Yurt, Jackie Boyatt, Zach Boyatt, Cody Hiser, Carey Hirtzel, Zach Osowski (Oldham Era reporter), Emily Hagedorn (Courier Journal reporter).

The minutes of the May meeting were approved on a motion from Chris Haunz, seconded by Rick Williams. The vote was 5 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 abstention.

The treasurer reported the checking/savings account totaled \$893,089.18. The financial reports were accepted on a motion from Bev Keeling, seconded by Rick Williams. The Financial Team was recognized for their excellent budget estimates for tax revenue.

Chief Hamilton presented the monthly status report. The total number of fire fighters is 40, 27 active and 13 trainees. The Chief encouraged citizens to attend Wednesday training nights to better understand the role of a fire fighter.

## OLD BUSINESS

1. New Firehouse Update – Construction bids will be opened on Thursday, June 20, at 3:00 p.m. Information has been received that the Louisville Water Company will build a water tower on the property adjoining substation #2 by 2017.

2. Long Range Planning – The updated 10-year Plan will be presented at the August meeting.

- 3. Personnel No report
- 4. Communications No report

5. Financial Review Team – The adopted budget for 2013/2014 has been given to Shelby and Oldham Counties and acknowledgement of same has been received. Shelby County has requested use of the state form. Mr. Hack is in the process of completing that form. Chairman Brewer reported a conversation with Oldham County Judge Executive Voegele concerning the presentation process for next year's budget to Fiscal Court. Currently, Judge Voegele doesn't have a plan in place, but will inform us when that is decided.

6. Grant Review – There has been no activity while awaiting verification from the IRS regarding reinstatement of our 501C3. Mr. Rogers has asked for a letter directed to Tom Massie detailing our loss of revenue due to the delay.

7. Open Records Request – The request is nearly completed.

8. Election Status – The election will occur this Saturday, June 22, at the fire station from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Driver's license will be required for verification. If voting as an intangible property owner, a vehicle registration form is also required. Voters will use a sign in sheet and an affidavit sheet before voting. Mr. Brewer will be unavailable to serve on the election committee and appointed Chris Haunz to fill the vacancy. Votes will be counted after the election period is over and the outcome will not be made public until verified by the Board at the June 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. A notification letter was received from the State Auditor advising of an investigation of PVFD due to a citizen concern. Mr. Brewer is cooperating with the request for materials.
- 2. A special meeting will be held on Thursday, June 27, at the fire station. The time has been changed to 5:00 p.m. to accommodate Mr. Roger's schedule. The agenda will contain only two items, verification of the election and review of the construction contract.
- 3. Our attorney has reviewed the Code of Ethics policies from Oldham County and PVFD. His finding was that the policy from PVFD was more stringent and, therefore, will be the adopted policy. The attorney certified his decision and informed the Oldham County Judge Executive of same.
- 4. A motion was made by Joe Burkhardt, seconded by Adam Hack, that Article 6, Section 1, of our bylaws be changed to reflect KRS. This section will now read: All elected fire fighter representatives and all elected property owners to the Pewee Valley Board of Trustees will serve four-year terms from 7/1 to 6/30. All appointed representatives will serve three-year terms from 7/1 to 6/30. The vote was unanimous.
- 5. Oldham County Judge Voegele has appointed Beach Craigmyle to the Board.
- 6. Chairman Brewer addressed concerns over false statements used in a public campaign flyer prepared by candidate Dick Filippini. Six statements regarding the PVFD were discussed and Mr. Filippini was asked to use correct information.
- 7. Mr. Hack clarified a newspaper statement concerning PVFD. Our money is not in CD's as reported, but is in a Money Market account.
- 8. Mr. Burkhardt detailed the reasons for a PVFD substation and its effect on the Shelby County residents residing in the PVFD.

- 9. An opinion letter is needed from our attorney to complete the lease agreement for the SCUBA with Republic First National Bank.
- 10. Chairman Brewer selected Vice Chairman Burkhardt to open the July meeting. The first order of business will be the election of a chairman.
- 11. Bev Keeling read a prepared statement, attached to these minutes, recognizing the dedicated leadership of Jim Brewer on the PVFD Board.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on <u>MONDAY</u>, July 15, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at the fire station. The public is invited to attend.

On a motion from Rick Williams, seconded by Bob Rogers, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Bev Keeling