

**VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**DECEMBER 20, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Valley Fire District Board was held on **Monday, December 20, 2021** at the Valley Fire District, 5287 Dogwood Drive, Peninsula, Ohio 44264. The following were present.

<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b> Amy Anderson, Chair Dan Schneider, Sr. Richard Slocum	<b>OFFICERS</b> Chief Riedel	<b>OFFICERS</b> Lt. Moledor Lt. Levitt	<b>FIRE CLERK</b> Catherine Anson <b>LEGAL COUNSEL</b> Al Schrader
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The regular board meeting of the Valley Fire District was called to order by Anderson at 5:32 PM.

Anderson expressed condolences to the families of Mr. Hosterman of Keenan Road and Joe Davis, Peninsula and Richfield police officer.

**Approval of Minutes.**

MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve minutes of the **November 15, 2021** regular meeting. Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-01]**

**Approval of Reallocations.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the reallocations. Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-02]**

FUND	NAME	FROM	TO
1000-220-590-0000	Supplies	(2,500.00)	
1000-220-323-0000	Maintenance		2,500.00

**Approval of Purchase Orders.** (Items at \$2,500 or more are signed by the board.) MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the purchase orders. Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-03]**

SB NUMBER	ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NAME	\$AMOUNT	
63	2021	1000-110-313-0000	UAN FEES	200.00
64	2021	1000-220-323-0000	Maintenance	2,500.00

**Approval of Bank Reconciliation.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the bank reconciliation. Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-04]**

**Approval of Payroll.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve **Payroll #13 of December 8, 2021.** Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-05]**

**Approval for Payment of Bills.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the payment of bills. Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-06]**

**Business.**

- **LifeForce Closures.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the decisions on the LifeForce closures. Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-07]**
- **BWC Claim.** The recent claim from the Bureau of Workers' Comp for Lt. Sebastian was discussed. No action by the board was required.
- **Opioid Resolution.** Schrader presented a resolution for the board to consider. MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve an emergency resolution to accept the national opioid settlement with Janssen Pharmaceuticals. Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-E01]**
- **Quarterly Shift Report.** The report was distributed prior to the meeting for review.
- **Organizational Agenda for 2022.** The agenda was distributed to the board prior to the meeting. MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the items as presented on the agenda (see attached agenda). Voting: All Yes. **[20211220-08]**

**Reports.**

**Riedel.**

- The engine involved in the recent accident is being repaired. The insurance adjuster has approved the work and we're waiting on parts.
- The fuel island is in process for being installed. Electrical lines have been run. The concrete pad has been poured, with thank to Nick Sebastian who completed the work on his day off.
- Levitt, Powers, and Roman delivered a baby the day after Thanksgiving. Pins and certificates were distributed at a recent meeting.
- He and Duber have been attending meetings with Hudson Dispatch to iron out all the details and welcomed any questions to make the process easier. The switch is set for December 28 at midnight.

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- The Share-A-Christmas food delivery went well with 8 to 10 people helping, including Levitt and his two sons.
- We would like to scrap the 2005 Ford instead of selling it. We can use it for practice first. MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve using the car for practice rescue and then scrapping the vehicle. Voting: All Yes. [20211220-09]
- Brandywine Ski hasn't responded to us or Macedonia regarding EMS coverage for the season. We averaged 8 calls per season but the agreement covered the additional second shift.

**Riedel for Duber.**

- Reapplication of graphics was completed. Medic 2 striping is still pending.
- Two squads were under repair this month.
- Hudson dispatch orientation was carried out including ride-alongs and mutual aid info.

**Riedel for Packard.**

- Schramm finished training and will be scheduled for shift status.
- Coffee makers have arrived.
- He expressed thanks to the community, Fire Board, department members and Costco for food donations and the delivery of food and gifts. Additional thanks to Moledor and Sebastian for organizing.
- The shift scheduling was a bit tricky for December but is getting better for January. Thanks go to officers and member who took extra shifts to help cover stations.
- Four officers and one firefighter attended the 3-day leadership training in Brecksville.
- He is working on a training schedule for 2022.

**Moledor.**

- Seven inspections have been completed this month.
- The food drive at Costco collected \$750 in donations and the funds were used immediately to buy additional items for Share-A-Christmas.
- Timing was perfect for the new bottle of gas which came in just as the old one ran out.
- Shirts have been ordered. We will be looking for new vendors since we weren't able to buy at discount for large purchases this time.
- He expressed thanks to everyone who helped out with the food drive.
- Anderson thanked him for leading the food drive.

**Moledor for Sebastian.**

- The WIFI set up at Station 2 is almost complete.
- He is continuing to work with Akron Children's Hospital on volume issues.
- He's been working with Levitt on quotes for the new squad.

**Levitt.**

- They contacted two vendors for quotes for a new squad to replace the 2008 vehicle. OPTION 1: Diesel Freightliner chassis will have an early 2024 expected delivery at an approximate cost of \$375k with a loading system/cot. OPTION 2: An F550 4X4 gas engine with an expected delivery by 18 months at a lower cost. Both options fit the state bid. He will secure quotes by the January meeting for the board to review.
- Expected delivery of the new tanker is still March 2022 although no update was available for the Freightliner chassis. With the graphics changes, the total cost is now \$358,750.05, roughly a \$3,700 difference.

**Schrader** will have information on the operating levy for the January meeting.

**Schneider** stated that the police have stopped helping out on fire/EMS runs unless there's been a traffic accident.

**Anderson** expressed much appreciation for all the work done for Share-A-Christmas, now in its 22<sup>nd</sup> year. The event helps out both the Peninsula and Boston Township communities. Slocum thanked Anderson for her leadership on the event.

There being no further business, Slocum motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Catherine Anson, Clerk

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Amy Anderson, Chair

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**ORGANIZATIONAL AGENDA FOR 2022**

**2022 Chair of the Board:** to nominate Amy Anderson as Chair.

**2022 Vice Chair:** to nominate Richard Slocum as Vice Chair.

**2022 Secretary of the Board:** to nominate Richard Slocum as Secretary.

**2022 Meeting Times:** to hold board meetings on the third Monday of each month at 5:30 at Station 1.

**Legal Counsel:** to accept the contract reappointing Al Schrader as legal counsel for the District for 2022.

**Pay Rates for 2022:** to accept the pay rates as listed below

- Board Members: \$30.00 per meeting up to 15 meetings
- Clerk: \$10,816.00 annually, to be paid per 28-day pay period at \$832.00
- Chief: \$6,000.00 annually, to be paid per 28-day pay period at \$461.54
- Asst. Chief: \$3,984.00 annually, to be paid per 28-day pay period at \$306.46
- Captain: \$3,192.00 annually, to be paid per 28-day pay period at \$245.54
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Lieutenant: \$2,784.00 annually, to be paid per 28-day pay period at \$214.15
- 2<sup>ND</sup> Lieutenant: \$2,784.00 annually, to be paid per 28-day pay period at \$214.15
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant: \$2,784.00 annually, to be paid per 28-day pay period at \$214.15
- Station Duty: \$14.00 per shift hour for EMTs; \$28.00 per hour holiday duty  
\$16.00 per shift hour for Paramedics; \$32.00 per hour holiday duty  
\$15.00 per shift hour for EMTs on Weekend Shifts 1 and 2; \$30.00 per hour holiday duty  
\$17.00 per shift hour for Paramedics on Weekend Shifts 1 and 2; \$34.00 per hour holiday duty
- Run/Call Hours: \$14.00 per hour for EMTs, two-hour minimum  
\$16.00 per hour for Paramedics, two-hour minimum  
\$18.00 per hour for certified special operations personnel while on special ops calls
- Training: \$14.00 per hour for EMTs; \$16.00 per hour for Paramedics; \$18.00 per hour for Special Operations Continuing Training
- Mechanic: \$27.00 per hour
- Deputy Clerk \$27.00 per hour

**Holidays for 2022:** to accept the holidays as listed below.

<b>New Year's Day:</b>	January 1		<b>Juneteenth</b>	June 19		<b>Thanksgiving Day:</b>	November 24
<b>Martin Luther King Day:</b>	January 17		<b>Independence Day:</b>	July 4		<b>Day After Thanksgiving:</b>	November 25
<b>Presidents' Day:</b>	February 21		<b>Labor Day:</b>	September 5		<b>Christmas Eve:</b>	December 24
<b>Good Friday:</b>	April 15		<b>Columbus Day:</b>	October 10		<b>Christmas Day:</b>	December 25
<b>Easter:</b>	April 17		<b>Veterans Day:</b>	November 11		<b>New Year's Eve:</b>	December 31
<b>Memorial Day:</b>	May 31						

**Huntington Credit Card Holders and Limits Review:** Total Credit Limit per Month: \$10,000

<b>NAME</b>	<b>LIMIT/MONTH</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>LIMIT/MONTH</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>LIMIT/MONTH</b>
C Riedel	\$3,500	M Packard	\$3,500	N Sebastian	\$3,500
S Duber	\$3,500	C Moledor	\$3,500	M Levitt	\$3,500
				J Deluca	\$3,500

**Costco Credit Card Holders and Limits Review:** Total Credit Limit per Month: \$5,000

- Card Holders: C Riedel and M Packard

**Disposal of Surplus Equipment:** to dispose of surplus, unneeded, obsolete property through Internet-based Auction such as GovDeals during calendar year 2022.