

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

**FEBRUARY 21, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Valley Fire District Board was held on **Monday, February 21, 2022** at the Valley Fire District, 5287 Dogwood Drive, Peninsula, Ohio 44264. The following were present.

<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b>	<b>OFFICERS</b>	<b>OFFICERS</b>	<b>FIRE CLERK</b>	<b>LEGAL</b>
Amy Anderson, Chair	Chief Riedel	Lt. Moledor	Catherine Anson	Al Schrader
Dan Schneider, Sr.	Capt. Packard	Lt. Sebastian		
Richard Slocum				

The regular board meeting of the Valley Fire District was called to order by Anderson at 5:35 PM.

**Announcements:** Anderson offered condolences to the families of the following: Bob Valcanoff, Mary Louise Morris, Donna Wise, Chase Richards, and Steve Stahl.

**Approval of Minutes.**

MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve minutes of the **January 17, 2022** regular meeting. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-01]**

MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve minutes of the **January 24, 2022** special meeting. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-02]**

**Approval of Reallocations.** MOTION by Schneider, seconded by Anderson to approve the reallocations. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-03]**

FUND	NAME	FROM	TO
1000-220-100-0000	Salaries	(1,500.00)	
1000-110-353-0000	Natural Gas		1,500.00

**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. **[20220221-04]**

SB NUMBER	ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NAME	\$AMOUNT
27	-2022	1000-110-353-0000	Natural Gas 1,500.00

**Bank Reconciliation.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the bank reconciliation. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-05]**

**Approval of Payroll.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve **Payroll #2 of February 8, 2022.** Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-06]**

**Approval for Payment of Bills.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the payment of bills. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-07]**

**Business.**

- **Fuel Inventory Policy and Procedures.** The board discussed the policy and procedures and status of the fuel pumps. Schrader will work on a draft contract for the Village of Peninsula with information from The Chief and Clerk. MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the policy and procedures and allow the implementation prior to the installation of the security cameras. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-08]**
- **COVID Sick Pay.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the continuation of COVID sick pay for missed scheduled shift hours for the next six months or until the remaining Boston Township funds of \$6,662 are expended. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-09]**
- **Permanent Appropriations.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the Permanent Appropriations for 2022. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-10]**
- **Huntington Bank Checking Account Agreement.** MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve the agreement to continue banking with Huntington. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-11]**
- **Huntington Loan.** The board reviewed options for a loan/lease agreement for the new tanker expected March or later this year. MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve option two (with first payment expected on delivery) and with the intent to lock in the rate. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-12]**

**Reports.**

**Riedel.**

- Jay Skolnik resigned due to increased responsibilities elsewhere.
- The fuel island will be hooked up this week.

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- He will get updated information on the delivery of the tanker. The company has received the radio system to install.
- The software system upgrade to existing radios will possibly take place over the summer.
- A request for reimbursement from the 2021 OH EMS grant has been sent in. The 2022 proposal for the OH EMS grant has been submitted. We're planning to reapply for the FEMA grant this year.
- All SCBAs have been updated.

**Riedel for Duber.**

- A number of minor repairs are in process.
- Vince Kapsandy has completed training and is ready to start. MOTION by Slocum, seconded by Schneider to approve Kapsandy for duty. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-13]**
- Recruiting efforts have started again.
- Several personnel have completed recertification for swim tests and Reynolds has completed diving operations.
- He has received grants of \$27,000 and \$15,000 from the county for water rescue equipment. The trailer housed at Station 2 will be replaced and additional equipment will be purchased for the county's Water Rescue Team.

**Packard.**

- Several personnel have completed the three-day wilderness class held at the park at no cost to the department.
- Metro Health is offering free online classes in March.
- No COVID call-offs happened this month.
- The Sternads have experienced low volume shift hours due to family concerns.
- Extra people were scheduled during the recent snow storm.

**Moledor.**

- One application for new hire has been received so far.
- Three inspections were completed this month.
- The Bad Lime order came in and he is looking for a new vendor. The board suggested a local company. The digital logo for shirts is being tweaked. Anderson requested an updated letterhead.
- Airpacks have been bench tested and he is waiting on RIT packs.

**Sebastian.**

- The new WIFI installation is pending.
- He has been working with Levitt on a price quote for a new squad. Braun, their first choice, has suspended all contracts with an expected price increase in the future. He and Levitt are currently looking at Lifeline out of Iowa.
- He was asked by Anderson to come up with an equipment purchase for the engine dedicated to George Fisher using the funds donated in his memory. MOTION by Anderson, seconded by Slocum to approve the purchase of two toolkits, one for each engine. Voting: All Yes. **[20220221-14]**
- He is continuing to work with Children's Hospital on supplies and call outs.

**Boston Heights Councilperson Fenn.** He requested information regarding the traditional pancake breakfast. The officers responded that they'll work on getting it set up for the usual May date. Fenn and Anderson expressed willingness to provide help. Anderson stated that the Boston Township Memorial Day Parade may take place this year.

**Slocum.** He will meet up with Padrut this week for the WIFI install at Station 2.

**Anderson.** She expressed her anger over the lack of strong representation, of both personnel and equipment, at the funeral of George Fisher, a founding member of the Valley Fire Board of Trustees.

There being no further business, Slocum motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6.41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Catherine Anson, Clerk

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Amy Anderson, Chair