

Valley Fire District Board of Trustees Special Meeting

July 20 2016

A special meeting of the Valley Fire District Board was held on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at the Valley Fire District, located at 5287 Dogwood Drive, Peninsula, Ohio 44264. The following were in attendance.

Board Members	Fire Department	Fire Clerk	Legal Counsel
Amy Anderson, Chair	Chief Charlie Riedel	Catherine Anson	Ed Pullekens
Daniel Schneider	Assistant Chief Dave Morehouse		
Richard Slocum	Captain Ed Yost		
	Lieutenant Scott Duber		

Guests: Mayor Bill Gorcy, Trustees Ron Antal and Heather Davis, and Fiscal Officer Betty Klingenberg, Village of Boston Heights.

The special board meeting of the Valley Fire District was called to order by Chair Amy Anderson at 5:38 PM.

Business:

Levy:

Motion by Richard Slocum, seconded by Anderson for a replacement capital levy at a millage rate of 2.50. Voting: All Yes **[20160720-1]**

Counsel Pullekens will file the resolution with the county. Attached is the approved resolution.

Lieutenant Scott Duber joined the meeting at 5:46 PM. Anderson congratulated Duber on his promotion to captain for Akron.

Village of Boston Heights Contract Renewal:

The trustees presented preliminary information to the guests from the Village of Boston Heights (VBH) regarding changes to contract up for renewal at the end of September.

Distributed at the meeting were the following handouts:

- Bulleted list of talking points prepared by Slocum (one page)
- Spreadsheets on vehicles prepared by Riedel (two pages)

Members of the board will present proposed changes and rationale at the VBH Finance Meeting on July 26 at 7:00 PM in VBH town hall. The board will distribute the changes to VBH prior to the meeting.

Northfield Center Contract:

The board is backing off from providing a proposal to Northfield Center Township; there are too many variables and this is not the right time to enter into negotiations with a new entity.

Duber left the meeting at 7:10 PM.

Personnel:

The board discussed a possible rate increase for VFD paramedics. Retention is a consideration in meeting area rates. The last raise for officers was in 2007 while the 2012 levy provides a pay raise for other personnel. More information is needed regarding the additional cost to the employer for each increase.

The guests left the meeting at 7:16 PM.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Slocum, seconded by Anderson to approve minutes of the July 14, 2016 meeting with corrections. Voting: All Yes **[20160720-2]**

VBH Contract Renewal Planning Meeting

The board agreed to meet on Sunday, July 24, 2016 at 1:00 PM to firm up the proposed changes to the contract and will provide the VBH with an advanced copy prior to their Finance Meeting on Tuesday.

Executive Session:

Motion by Slocum, seconded by Anderson to enter into an Executive Session at 7:28 PM. Voting: All Yes **[20160720-3]**

Motion by Slocum, seconded Schneider to end the session at 7:55 PM. Voting: All Yes **[20160720-4]**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Anson, Clerk

Amy Anderson, Chair