

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE MEHLVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, ON THE
17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Mehlville Fire Protection District of St. Louis County, Missouri, met at the Mehlville Conference Room, 11020 Mueller Road, St. Louis County, Missouri, on the 17th day of September, 2014.

Present at the meeting were:

Aaron Hilmer, Chairman and Director of the Board;

Bonnie C. Stegman, Treasurer and Director of the Board;

Edmond Ryan, Secretary and Director of the Board; and

Brian Hendricks, Fire Chief of the Mehlville Fire Protection District.

Mr. Hilmer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and announced the Board to be in session for the transaction of business.

Dr. Stegman made a motion to pay the bills of September 9 and 17, 2014. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Ryan made a motion to approve the Board meeting minutes of July 9, 23 and 28, 2014. Dr. Stegman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Chief Financial Officer Brian Bond presented the August 2014 Financial Statements. \$24,000 in tax revenue was received, bringing the total to just over \$15 million. Approximately one third of the year remains. The General Fund appears on course with the budget. The Alarm Fund is somewhat ahead of budget because the entire year's dispatching fees have been paid. The Pension Fund appears to be on course with the budget. Dr. Stegman made a motion to approve the August 2014 Financial Statements. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Chief Hendricks said Brightergy presented a proposal for solar panels on House 1 and 7, which were not completed before terms of the Ameren rebate program changed. Brian Bond discussed the impact of the Brightergy panels on the utility bills of the other engine houses and said the savings have been significant. The rebate for Houses 1 and 7 will be about \$12,000 less. Brightergy has suggested two options for financing. Option 1 would have an increased lease rate and an upfront cost of \$5,000 to upgrade House 1's electrical panel. For House 1, the cost would be \$53,000 over a twenty year period, with an estimated \$47,000 savings in utility costs. Option 2 would be an increased lease rate only, costing \$60,000 over twenty years and projected to save \$40,000 in utility costs. Dr. Stegman asked if the District paid up front money for the other installations. Mr. Bond said we did not. Chief Hendricks said that House 1's electrical box requires an upgrade that the other engine houses did not require. Mr. Ryan questioned whether Ameren's rebate program would change again or be eliminated in future years, and that if the District will only break even, he is inclined not to move forward on the panels. Chief Hendricks said he would get a detailed description of what the \$5,000 capital outlay would entail.

Chief Hendricks presented Ordinance 126, the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System agreement with Illinois, and said Dr. Stegman had already reviewed it. Dr. Stegman made a motion to approve Ordinance 126. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Chief Hendricks presented a Grounds Report which outlines work he would like to have done at Houses 2-7. He would like to package fall bush and tree removal separate from spring replanting and landscaping and solicit bids accordingly.

Chief Hendricks discussed several grounds related issues at House 1, starting with a dilapidated fence that the property owner contends is not on his property. In addition, the engineering firm that originally engineered House 1 put a perimeter fence around the building about 4-6 feet inside an existing fence, resulting in a no man's land between the fences. Chief Hendricks spoke with Brandon Harp of CEDC about the fence issue and was enlightened about the potential litigation resulting from fence disputes. He proposes doing a site survey to determine the boundary lines and working with the neighbors to make sure they're comfortable with moving the existing fence and moving it six feet back to properly designate the engine house property line. He also outlined a watershed problem on the west side of the building, where the downspouts dump water in the same area, creating a wet marshy area and killing all vegetation. Because House 1 is an MSD-approved project with the retention basin, the District may need MSD approval for changes that impact water drainage patterns.

Mr. Hilmer announced that the Tax Rate Hearing is scheduled for September 29, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

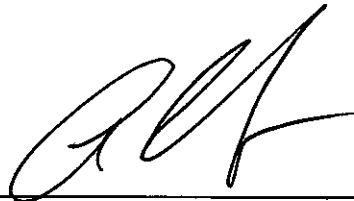
Mr. Hilmer then made a motion that a closed meeting be held for the purpose of discussing a legal matter immediately following the adjournment of the regular meeting. Mr. Hilmer, as part of said motion, moved that said closed meeting not be open to members of the general public under the provisions of Chapter 610 of the Missouri Revised Statutes, commonly referred to as the Sunshine Act. The motion was seconded by Dr. Stegman. A roll call vote on said motion was taken.

Director Hilmer yea.

Director Stegman yea.

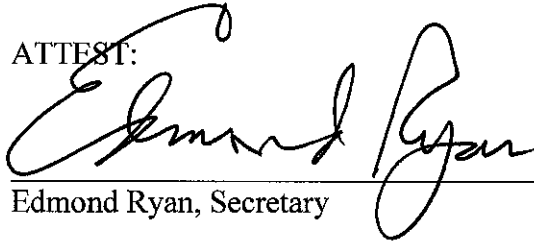
Directory Ryan yea.

There being no further business, Mr. Hilmer adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.



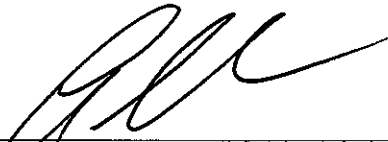
Aaron Hilmer, Chairman

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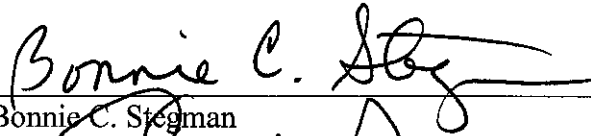


Edmond Ryan, Secretary

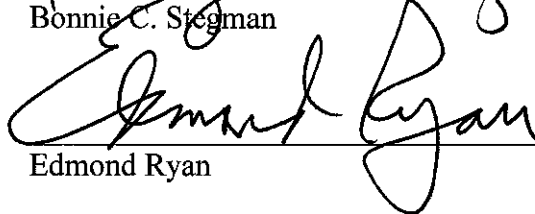
The undersigned, being all members of the Board of Directors of the Mehlville Fire Protection District, have affixed their names thereto in evidence of their consent to the meeting at the time and place indicated, and in evidence of their approval of the actions taken at the said meeting.



Aaron Hilmer



Bonnie C. Stegman



Edmond Ryan