

Western Lakes Fire Board
Joint Owners Meeting
July 22, 2020

Call to Order

- George Morris called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Board members present were George Morris, Jeff Roemer, Kent Lorenz, Bill Riemenschneider, Mike Tompkins, Lisa Mellone and Jimi Hall and Administrative Assistant Michael Krug.
- The meeting was held at the Oconomowoc Arts Center.
- Each of the municipalities called their meetings to order.

Proof of Notice

- Mike Krug announced that the district notice was posted July 18th to the district web site, newspapers and at stations 1 and 2.

Pledge of Allegiance

- Alderman Charles Schellpeper led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

- A motion was made by Dousman and seconded by Summit to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.

Discussion / Action – Line of Credit Resolutions

- Chief Bowen had distributed a copy of resolutions for each municipality to sign. The resolutions are for a two-year \$200,000 line of credit.
- A motion was made by Oconomowoc and seconded by Summit to approve a two-year \$200,000 line of credit. Motion carried.
- Each of the municipalities will need to sign their respective resolutions at their next meeting.

Discussion / Action – 2020 Capital Project Amendment (Rehab Unit)

- The current 2020 Capital Budget had \$40,000 to replace the Rehab trailer with a new trailer.
- As part of our consolidation with Okauchee, we acquired a walk-in squad that had been used by their dive team. A detailed inspection of the vehicle was done to see if it could be used as a rehab unit with modification, and remain within the \$40,000 budget. By doing so, we would eliminate the need to replace the towing vehicle of a trailer in the future, which had an approximate cost of \$40k-\$50k.
- Oconomowoc asked about the additional costs of doing maintenance on a motorized vehicle as apposed to getting a trailer. Deputy Chief Igl stated that the routine maintenance would be completed by our maintenance staff.
- Dousman expressed concern over the age of the vehicle, which is a 1995 Freightliner. The unit currently has 7,514 miles and 1,539 engine hours. Chief Bowen stated that this unit does not go out as often as our engines so it would only be going out a few times a month.
- Dousman asked why Okauchee had replaced the unit with a new dive unit. Assistant Chief Lincoln stated that the new unit has better functionality as a dive unit and that he could not get that same functionality with the size of the old dive unit.
- A motion was made by Lou Kowieski and seconded by Kevin Ellis to approve the Capital Project Amendment. Motion Carried.

Discussion – 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan and Funding Formula

- Chief Bowen had distributed a copy of the 5-year plan to the board and municipalities prior to the meeting. Chief Bowen reviewed the changes to the funding formula.

Discussion / Action – 2021 Capital Budget

- Chief Bowen had distributed a copy of the 2021 Capital Budget and the 2021 Capital Funding formula to the board and municipalities prior to the meeting.
- Each of the municipalities met and approved the 2021 Capital Budget.

Discussion / Action – 2021 Long Term Debt Payments

- Chief Bowen stated that our final debt payments for Dousman, Ottawa and Summit will be paid in 2021. The loan matures on January 25, 2021.
- Summit, Ottawa and Dousman each met and approved their final debt payment.

Discussion – District Updates and Operational Budget

- Chief Bowen introduced Doctor Cady, our medical director.
- Oconomowoc asked about our staffing plan to increase the number of full-time staff.

Adjournment

- At 7:40 pm, a motion was made by Dousman and seconded by Oconomowoc to adjourn.
Motion carried
- The fall budget meeting will be September 8th at 6:30 pm.