

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE MONARCH FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI,
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019

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BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Board of Directors of the Monarch Fire Protection District of Saint Louis County, Chesterfield, Missouri, met at the Administration Building, of said District, 13725 Olive Boulevard, in the City of Chesterfield, County of Saint Louis, on Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at 7:00 P.M. in an Open Board Meeting.

At the above time and place the following Officers and Directors were in attendance.

Rick Gans - President/Chairman and Director
Jean Millner - Secretary and Director
Robin Harris - Treasurer and Director *

Also present: Chief Cary Spiegel
Asst. Chief Les Crews
Atty. Matt Hoffman

A quorum being present, Director Gans called the meeting to order and announced the Board of Directors meeting to be in session for the transaction of any and all business to be brought before it at this time. (*via video)

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 7:00 P.M.

3 DIRECTOR GANS: Call to order the
4 Open Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection
5 District Board of Directors.

6 Would you please rise and join me in
7 the Pledge of Allegiance?

8 (Whereupon, all persons joined in reciting
9 the Pledge of Allegiance, and the following
10 proceedings were had.)

11 DIRECTOR GANS: Director Harris is
12 actually attending the meeting. You'll hear his
13 voice.

14 He is visible to us.

15 And you'll hear his voice, any vocal
16 -- in any discussions, in any discussions he will
17 be participating.

18 As many of you know, he is an
19 airline pilot and sometimes he's on assignments
20 out of -- out of the area.

21 Not too much longer, but, at least
22 for the time being.

23 He'll be retiring at the end of the
24 month, after a distinguished career with one of

1 our major commercial air carriers.

2 We begin with the Approval of
3 Agenda.

4 Are there any changes to the agenda,
5 this evening?

6 (No response.)

7 DIRECTOR GANS: I know --

8 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I --

9 DIRECTOR GANS: I know we have a
10 missing pen.

11 Hm-hm.

12 I have no changes, either.

13 We move to Citizen Comments.

14 As there are faces I don't recognize
15 in the audience, if anyone would like to offer
16 citizen comments, now is the time.

17 If you're here and would like to
18 offer comments, we would ask you to fill out a --
19 a form with your name on it.

20 And if you identify yourselves, now
21 -- if not, we'll go on.

22 I see no one identifying themselves.

23 That takes us to the President's
24 Report.

25 Tonight, I have no report.

1 And we move on, at that point, to
2 the Secretary's Report.

3 DIRECTOR MILLNER: All right. Thank
4 you.

5 Okay. I would like to move for the
6 approval of Open Meeting Minutes from December
7 20, 2018.

8 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. So you move
9 for the approval of those Minutes and I will
10 second the motion.

11 Do we have any discussion?

12 (No response.)

13 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?

14 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

15 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

16 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.

17 Motion passes three to nothing.

18 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I also move for
19 the approval of the Closed Meeting Minutes for
20 December 20, 2018.

21 DIRECTOR GANS: I'll second the
22 motion.

23 Any discussion?

24 (No response.)

25 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?

1 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.
2 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.
3 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.
4 Motion passes three to nothing.
5 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Okay. I also have
6 bids to introduce.
7 I have two bids?
8 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Yes, ma'am.
9 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Okay.
10 And these are bids for a -- a life
11 support vehicle.
12 CHIEF SPIEGEL: That's correct.
13 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Chief, were these
14 bids received sealed and on time?
15 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Yes, ma'am, they
16 were.
17 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Okay. I will now
18 open the bids.
19 DIRECTOR GANS: I'm listening.
20 (Director Millner opening first bid.)
21 DIRECTOR MILLNER: The vendor for
22 the first bid is American Response Vehicles.
23 The total of the first bid,
24 \$260,000.
25 I'm sorry, \$260,632.00.

1 (Director Millner opening second bid.)
2 DIRECTOR GANS: This is why you get
3 the big bucks.
4 (General chuckles.)
5 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Is that one --
6 DIRECTOR GANS: I get to sit back
7 and run the meeting and you get to do all the
8 work.
9 DIRECTOR MILLNER: That's alright.
10 Okay.
11 I'm sorry.
12 DIRECTOR GANS: Is the actual
13 vehicle in there?
14 DIRECTOR MILLNER: No. The bid fell
15 apart.
16 (Referring to some of the pages coming out
17 of the notebook.)
18 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Oh, just a
19 second.
20 If you'll bear with us, just a
21 moment, I am putting it back in order, so that I
22 can read it.)
23 The second bid is from Horton
24 Emergency Vehicles.
25 The total of this bid, \$262,821.00.

1 I'm instructing the chief and his
2 committee to review the bids and return a
3 recommendation to the Board of Directors.

4 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Yes, ma'am.

5 DIRECTOR MILLNER: That concludes
6 the Secretary's Report.

7 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. Thank
8 you.

9 We move to the Treasurer's Report.

10 Since Director Harris is not
11 present, I'm going to assume those duties --

12 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Thank you.

13 DIRECTOR GANS: -- of the
14 treasurer.

15 I'm good.

16 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Okay.

17 DIRECTOR GANS: Tonight, we have
18 disbursements in the amount of \$315,326.09.

19 That's 3-1-5-3-2-6-point-zero-9.

20 We have four checks over the amount
21 of \$4,000.00 (sic) which are a check to Central
22 County 911 for \$216,987.36.

23 Check number 42312.

24 This is for tax receipt and
25 remittance for dispatch services to Central

1 County.

2 A check to Mediclaims, Inc.,
3 \$7,077.99.

4 Check 42344.

5 This is the fee for collecting
6 ambulance billing.

7 A check to S-H-I International
8 Corp., for \$17,971.73.

9 Check number 42363.

10 This is includes and is primarily
11 licenses for the District's new email system,
12 effective in 2019.

13 The email system for all of the
14 owners of Central County was reverted back to the
15 districts, so Central County's no longer
16 providing email services.

17 And this is the annual fee for 175
18 email licenses and other related fees, for a
19 server, for exchange server.

20 And, finally, a check to Tech
21 Electronics for \$5,499.70.

22 Check number 42368.

23 And this is to install the upgraded
24 fire alarm system at House Five.

25 And this is the -- Chief, is this

1 the completion of the upgrades from 2018?
2 (No response.)
3 DIRECTOR GANS: Is that correct?
4 Capital for 2018?
5 CHIEF SPIEGEL: (not audible)
6 DIRECTOR GANS: Or, Fire Marshal
7 Herin?
8 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: Roger Herin,
9 fire marshal.
10 That is one of the final payments,
11 I believe.
12 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.
13 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: There will be
14 three, in total.
15 But, the work is done. The work is
16 complete and we're waiting on a certificate from
17 "U.F." to certify the system before we give the
18 final payments.
19 So, that's -- that is a project
20 payment (two words not clear.)
21 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. Thank you.
22 Are there any questions about those,
23 or any of the other checks?
24 DIRECTOR HARRIS: All of my
25 questions were answered via email.

1 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

2 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I have no
3 questions.

4 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

5 And he's referring to an email that
6 I sent earlier today with a copy to the public
7 file that had a few questions on it about the
8 check run.

9 They were satisfactorily answered by
10 the chief and the controller.

11 And those, as I said, are available
12 in the public file.

13 In reviewing these disbursements,
14 they appear to be reasonable and necessary in the
15 conduct of the District's business.

16 Chief Spiegel, were these checks
17 prepared per your recommendation?

18 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Yes, they were.

19 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Do they violate
20 any state bidding statutes, or constitute
21 installment payments?

22 CHIEF SPIEGEL: None that I'm aware
23 of.

24 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I make a motion
25 that we accept the disbursements as prepared.

1 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I will second
2 that motion.

3 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

4 Any further discussion?

5 (No response.)

6 DIRECTOR GANS: Hearing none, we
7 will vote.

8 All in favor?

9 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

10 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

11 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.

12 Motion passes three to nothing.

13 And unless the actual treasurer has
14 anything to else, that will conclude the
15 Treasurer's Report.

16 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I have nothing to
17 add tonight.

18 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

19 We now move on to the Chief's
20 Report. Chief?

21 CHIEF SPIEGEL: I have nothing, this
22 evening.

23 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

24 This is going to be a quick meeting.
25 It's up to you, Matt.

1 MISTER HOFFMAN: (inaudible)
2 DIRECTOR GANS: Nothing on the
3 Attorney's Report. All right.
4 Under New Business, does anyone have
5 any New Business for the Board, tonight?
6 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I have none.
7 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.
8 We will be setting the February
9 Meeting dates at a future time.
10 Is there any Unfinished Business?
11 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I have none.
12 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. If not,
13 I will make a motion to adjourn the meeting.
14 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I will second
15 that motion.
16 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.
17 Any discussion?
18 (No response.)
19 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?
20 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.
21 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.
22 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.
23 Motion passes three to nothing.
24 We are adjourned.
25 We're off the record.

1 There will be a Pension Open Meeting
2 held at approximately 7:30.

3 (Whereupon, at 7:14 P.M., the Board
4 adjourned the meeting as described above.

5 The foregoing Minutes were recorded by the
6 Monarch Fire Protection District and transcribed
7 by Virginia L. Long.)

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