

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE MONARCH FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI,
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 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, February 20, 2019, at 6:30 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.

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P R O C E E D I N G S

6:30 P.M.

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

Would everyone please rise and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance?

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

DIRECTOR GANS: Welcome, everyone, to the meeting. We have a lot of people here, tonight, for an event that's about to take place.

We will begin our agenda. We'll do the President's Report and we'll take a brief recess.

I understand, at that point, there will be refreshments in the north side of the building.

Is that right, Chief?

CHIEF SPIEGEL: Yes, sir.

DIRECTOR GANS: At that point, we'll take a brief recess.

The Board will then resume the rest of its meeting. I'll let you know, that while

1 we'd love to have you all stay for the entire
2 meeting, it's not required. No one will stop
3 you, if you go have refreshments and don't come
4 back. We'll continue conducting the business of
5 the Board.

6 And, we're hoping, whatever
7 refreshments there are, we'll be, maybe, saved a
8 cupcake, or a piece of cake.

9 We'll see how that goes.

10 So, we'll continue our agenda with
11 the approval of agenda.

12 Are there any changes to the agenda?

13 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I have none.

14 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I have none.

15 CHIEF SPIEGEL: I have none.

16 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

17 We now go to Citizen Comments.

18 We have a full house. I know why
19 most of you are here. Probably, why all of you
20 are here, but I do have to ask if anyone would
21 identify themselves as wanting to speak to the
22 Board, at this point, this would be the time to
23 do so.

24 (No response.)

25 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. That's

1 fine.

2 That takes us to the President's
3 Report.

4 I am Rick Gans. I'm the President
5 for the Board.

6 At this time, I'm gonna take a
7 moment and come to the front, of the -- of the
8 dias.

9 Just so you know, our meetings are
10 recorded, besides amplified. So, I would
11 normally be standing right over here, able to
12 conduct this from over here.

13 Those of you who have been to these
14 swearing-in's have seen that before.

15 But in order to be on the record and
16 to be heard, I'm going to have to do this from
17 here.

18 We've got several swearing-in's and
19 promotions to attend to, tonight. And that's why
20 most of you are here.]

21 And we're going to begin with Chris
22 Scherer and Adam Johnson.

23 If you would, please come forward.

24 And I'm going to ask you to stand
25 right here. Hopefully, the microphone will pick

1 you up a little bit.

2 Welcome, Gentlemen.

3 At this time, we're going to
4 administer the Oath of Office and I will ask that
5 you repeat after me, except for the "state your
6 name, your title and name part." You know what
7 to do there.

8 And we begin.

9 "I," state your name and title.

10 FIRE FIGHTER SCHERER: Fire Fighter
11 Chris Scherer, fire fighter/paramedic.

12 FIRE FIGHTER JOHNSON: (inaudible.)

13 (Whereupon, the following oath was repeated
14 by both gentlemen:)

15 (-- do solemnly swear that I will
16 uphold and support the Rules, Regulations and
17 Policies of the Monarch Fire Protection District,
18 its residents and visitors in need, the
19 Constitution of the State of Missouri and of the
20 United States of America.)

21 DIRECTOR GANS: And I forgot one
22 thing. There's still time. Raise your right
23 hands.

24 (General laughter)

25 DIRECTOR GANS: You can't swear

1 unless your right hand is up.

2 "I will fulfill the duties of my
3 office to the best of my ability, so help me
4 God."

5 Congratulations.

6 (Generous applause.)

7 DIRECTOR GANS: So you had your
8 badges pinned on already.

9 Are we going to do a badge pinning,
10 besides, Chief?

11 CHIEF SPIEGEL: (inaudible)

12 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

13 At this time, we normally allow for
14 someone who you chose to pin your badges.

15 You have them on, but if you'd like
16 anyone -- if you'd like to invite anyone up to
17 ceremonially pin on your badge, you may do so, at
18 this time.

19 A VOICE: (Inaudible response.)

20 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

21 A VOICE: (Inaudible response.)

22 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

23 A VOICE: (Inaudible response.)

24 DIRECTOR GANS: It wouldn't be the
25 first time.

1 We have plenty of paramedics, if you
2 -- if she gets you good, we'll be ready.

3 DIRECTOR GANS: Would you like to
4 invite your wife to -- okay. Please. Come on
5 up.

6 (Whereupon, Mrs. Scherer re-pinned the
7 badge on Firefighter Scherer.)

8 And right after that, I'll ask you
9 both to come up and we'll take some pictures with
10 the Board Members and the Chief.

11 (After which time, photo's were taken with
12 Firefighter's Scherer and Johnson and the Members
13 of the Board of Directors and Chief Spiegel.)

14 DIRECTOR GANS: Would Tim Kolb
15 please come forward?

16 All right. We're going to get it
17 right from the beginning. Come over to me,
18 please.

19 Right hand.

20 And right after the word "I", you'll
21 state your title and name.

22 ENGINEER KOLB: "I, Engineer Tim
23 Kolb, do solemnly swear that I will uphold and
24 support the Rules, Regulations and Policies of
25 the Monarch Fire Protection District, its

1 residents and visitors in need, the Constitution
2 of the State of Missouri and of the United States
3 of America. I will fulfill the duties of my
4 office to the best of my ability, so help me
5 God."

6 DIRECTOR GANS: Congratulations.

7 ENGINEER KOLB: Thank you.

8 DIRECTOR GANS: And do you have
9 anyone present you'd like to pin on your badge?

10 ENGINEER KOLB: My wife.

11 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. Please come
12 in.

13 I think -- it looks like someone is
14 wearing your hat.

15 (At this point, Mrs. Kolb pinned the badge
16 on Engineer Kolb, followed by generous applause
17 and photographs taken with the family and the
18 Board of Directors.)

19 DIRECTOR GANS: Very good. Thank
20 you.

21 Russ Adams?

22 Are you ready?

23 B.C. ADAMS: (No oral response.)

24 DIRECTOR GANS: "I" --

25 B.C. ADAMS: "I, Battalion Chief Russ

1 Adams do solemnly swear that I will uphold and
2 support the Rules, Regulations and Policies of
3 the Monarch Fire Protection District, its
4 residents and visitors in need, the Constitution
5 of the State of Missouri and of the United States
6 of America. I will fulfill the duties of my
7 office to the best of my ability, so help me
8 God."

9 DIRECTOR GANS: Congratulations.
10 (Generous applause.)

11 DIRECTOR GANS: And you have no
12 badge.

13 B.C. ADAMS: I know. She stole it.

14 DIRECTOR GANS: She's done this a
15 few times.

16 (Whereupon, Mrs. Adams pinned the badge on
17 B.C. Adams, followed by generous applause and
18 photographs.)

19 DIRECTOR GANS: And that's all we
20 have tonight.

21 (General laughter.)

22 DIRECTOR GANS: No, no, no.

23 (General laughter.)

24 DIRECTOR GANS: We saved the best
25 for last.

1 Bill?

2 (General laughter.)

3 DIRECTOR GANS: You knew I was only
4 kidding.

5 All right. "I" --

6 DEPUTY CHIEF LONG: "I, Deputy Chief
7 Bill Long, do solemnly swear that I will uphold
8 and support the Rules, Regulations and Policies
9 of the Monarch Fire Protection District, its
10 residents and visitors in need, the Constitution
11 of the State of Missouri and of the United States
12 of America. I will fulfill the duties of my
13 office to the best of my ability, so help me
14 God."

15 DIRECTOR GANS: Congratulations.

16 (Generous applause.)

17 DIRECTOR GANS: Who -- who's going
18 to do the pinning?

19 Who is this gentleman?

20 DEPUTY CHIEF LONG: This is my dad,
21 Tom Long and my wife, Shanna, is with him.

22 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. Welcome.

23 Have you done this before?

24 MISTER LONG: It was a long time ago.

25 (Inaudible) it was 41 years ago.

1 DIRECTOR GANS: Wow. So this is an
2 important night for you.

3 MISTER LONG: (inaudible)

4 DIRECTOR GANS: If anyone gets
5 stuck, there's plenty of paramedics.

6 (At this point, the badge was pinned on
7 Deputy Chief Long.)

8 DIRECTOR GANS: And would you --
9 would one of you explain what you just got, so
10 everyone knows?

11 DEPUTY CHIEF LONG: I got my father's
12 Deputy Chief (one word inaudible) Badge and
13 Deputy Chief's Eagles.

14 DIRECTOR GANS: Thank you.

15 All right. Do you want to take
16 pictures now? Fam -- family pictures before the
17 Board, while you're up?

18 DIRECTOR HARRIS: It'll get con-
19 fusing around the house, everybody calling each
20 other "Chief," now.

21 (General laughter.)

22 (At this time, photos were taken with his
23 family and with the Board of Directors.)

24 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

25 (Generous applause.)

1 DIRECTOR GANS: So, as I said
2 earlier, at this time we can take a recess.

3 There are refreshments on the north
4 side of the building.

5 Some of the firefighters/paramedics
6 will escort you, if you don't know where it is.

7 It's that-away.

8 The Board is now in recess.

9 A VOICE: (not audible)

10 (Whereupon, at 6:48 P.M., a recess was
11 declared until 6:58 P.M., with the following
12 proceedings.)

13 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. We're
14 actually going to try and get through this in 15
15 minutes. The doors will stay open. It's an Open
16 Meeting.

17 Okay. Back to work.

18 All right. Call back to order the
19 Open Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection
20 District Board of Directors.

21 The President's Report is concluded.

22 Secretary's Report.

23 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Okay.

24 DIRECTOR GANS: A mouthful.

25 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I'm sorry.

1 (Referring to eating a cupcake.)

2 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I wouldn't eat in
3 a meeting.

4 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I know.

5 (General chuckles.)

6 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Okay. I have
7 just Minutes that need approval.

8 I move for the approval of the Open
9 Meeting Minutes for February 6, 2019 and February
10 13, 2019.

11 Do I have a second?

12 DIRECTOR GANS: Yes. Hold on one
13 second.

14 Les, can you turn it down?

15 (Referring to a phone ringing.)

16 ASSISTANT CHIEF CREWS: Yes.

17 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

18 I will second the motion.

19 Any discussion?

20 (No response.)

21 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?

22 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

23 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

24 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.

25 Motion passes.

1 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I move, too, for
2 the approval of the Closed Meeting Minutes from
3 February 6, 2019 and February 13, 2019.

4 Do I --

5 DIRECTOR GANS: Sec -- oh, go
6 ahead.

7 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Do I get a
8 second?

9 DIRECTOR GANS: Second.

10 Any discussion?

11 (No response.)

12 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?

13 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

14 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.

16 Motion passes.

17 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I believe that
18 concludes the Secretary's Report.

19 DIRECTOR GANS: Thank you.

20 DIRECTOR MILLNER: You're welcome.

21 DIRECTOR GANS: Treasurer's Report.

22 DIRECTOR HARRIS: We have disburse-
23 ments in the amount of \$363,088.35 for the
24 period.

25 We have six checks over \$5,000.00.

1 Check number 42518 to Central County
2 911, which is our February deposit.

3 Check number 42510 to Aschinger
4 Electric Company.

5 That is part of our LED light
6 upgrade, in the amount of \$18,516.00 and no
7 cents.

8 Check number 42557 to Sentinel
9 Emergency Solutions, in the amount of \$50,140 00
10 and no cents.

11 We budgeted, last year, and this is
12 the acquisition of eight new thermal imaging
13 cameras.

14 Check number 42562 to United Health
15 Care, in the amount of 205,000 -- pardon me;
16 \$205,988.37. That is March health insurance.

17 Check number 42563. That is to
18 UNUM. That is life and AD&D, short-term, long-
19 term disability and in the amount of \$5,792.52.

20 Check number 42506 to Ameren
21 Missouri in the amount of \$5,007.88.

22 And that would be utilities.

23 Are there any questions?

24 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I have none.

25 DIRECTOR GANS: I did pose my

1 questions, as per usual, by email, with a copy to
2 the public file and I was satisfied with the
3 response that came from the chief.

4 So I have no further questions.

5 DIRECTOR HARRIS: And I reviewed that
6 and, as usual, I have no further questions.

7 In reviewing these disbursements,
8 they appear to be reasonable and necessary in the
9 conduct of the District's business.

10 Chief Spiegel, were these checks
11 prepared per your recommendation?

12 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Yes, they were.

13 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Do they violate
14 any state bidding statutes, or constitute
15 installment payments?

16 CHIEF SPIEGEL: None that I'm aware
17 of.

18 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I make a motion
19 that we accept the disbursements as prepared.

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

22 Any further discussion?

23 (No response.)

24 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?

25 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

1 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

2 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.

3 Motion passes.

4 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I do have one brief
5 comment.

6 On December 7, 1941, the United
7 States was attacked at Pearl Harbor.

8 The fleet in the Pacific was
9 horribly damaged. Nearly 3,000 Americans lost
10 their lives.

11 But, fortunately, for the United
12 States, the carriers were at sea.

13 Just about two and a half months
14 later, on February 20th, 1942, the USS Lexington,
15 the -- one of the three squadrons of fighters was
16 airborne, providing cover when they were -- they
17 detected via the rudimentary radar a flight of
18 nine Mitsubishi twin engine fighter-bombers with
19 the rear facing gunner.

20 The six headed out to engage the
21 nine.

22 The "ready" on the flight deck,
23 probably a ready-five squadron, followed up with
24 another six.

25 The twelve American aircraft

1 engaged, shot down eight of the nine, but one
2 escaped.

3 Now, with fuel low, ammunition low,
4 they were returning to refuel and rearm and
5 another flight was detected.

6 So the third squadron had moved up
7 from a ready-room status to flight deck status.
8 They launched six aircraft.

9 They headed in three slightly
10 different directions because the radar was not
11 pinpoint.

12 Two of those aircraft contacted the
13 flight. Again, nine twin engine Mitsubishi
14 fighter bombers with rear-facing gunners.

15 And that just simply means they
16 don't have to be evasive to come in behind them
17 to shoot. They can shoot back without doing
18 anything other than having to get rear-facing
19 gunner to pull the trigger.

20 As was typical of the day, you would
21 arm your guns, you would do a quick "brusk" to
22 make sure they worked.

23 One of those two aircraft had guns
24 that malfunctioned.

25 The single aircraft attacked so low,

1 nine aircraft. It was a young man named -- well,
2 Michael O'Hare. He was a lieutenant J.G. in the
3 United States Navy.

4 He had never shot down a single
5 aircraft.

6 Over the next few minutes, he shot
7 down five.

8 At one point, according to the
9 reports I've read, you could actually watch three
10 of those spiraling down into the water.

11 The remaining aircraft in his
12 squadron returned. And while the four that we
13 not shot down by Lieutenant J.G. O'Hare, did, in
14 fact, drop their bombs.

15 They all missed.

16 They fled.

17 The Americans chased after them and,
18 I believe, shot the remainder down.

19 And Latinate J. G. O'Hare made -- I
20 know you have heard that name before, was a son
21 of Chicago.

22 And when he landed aboard the S.S.
23 Lexington, he was required to immediately report
24 to the commanding officer of the ship, because he
25 had just become the first Ace in the United

1 States Navy, which is a fighter pilot that has
2 shot down a minimum of five aircraft.

3 So in one aerial battle, he became
4 the Navy's first Ace.

5 Sadly, about one or two years later,
6 he did die in night combat, but the City of
7 Chicago changed the name of Orchard Airport to
8 O'Hare, which is, I believe, once again, the
9 busiest airport in the world.

10 It's always one of the most.

11 But, most of the people who pass
12 through it, or hear the name, never associate it
13 with the Navy's first Ace.

14 And that concludes the Treasurer's
15 Report.

16 DIRECTOR GANS: Thank you.

17 That takes us to the Chief's Report.
18 Chief?

19 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Yes, sir.

20 Chief Harper's prepared to describe
21 the request for two Stryker cots.

22 This is a budget item.

23 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: Nick Harper,
24 deputy -- deputy chief.

25 Thank you.

1 I would like to ask permission to
2 purchase two replacement cots for the two that
3 are our oldest.

4 They are -- they are failing. They
5 haven't failed yet, but they are failing. They
6 need to be replaced.

7 This is a proprietary situation.
8 Stryker. That's the only company that provides
9 this Stryker Cot.

10 So, the total amount that I'm asking
11 of the Board is \$36,176.00 and zero cents.

12 DIRECTOR GANS: Say that again?

13 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: Thirty-six
14 thousand, one hundred and seventy-six dollars and
15 zero cents.

16 DIRECTOR GANS: You just answered
17 one of my questions.

18 I have the quote the describes one
19 cot, or, it describes one Power Pro XP for
20 \$18,088.00 and then it lists a bunch of options.

21 It looks like it describes two of
22 them, but the option's only once, but, -- so this
23 quote is for one, that you have provided to us.

24 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: That's
25 correct.

1 DIRECTOR GANS: And you're
2 requesting two.

3 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: Yes, sir.

4 DIRECTOR GANS: These are used on
5 which ambulance?

6 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: They are used
7 on all four of the frontline ambulances.

8 I'm not sure, off the top of my
9 head, which two need to be replaced.

10 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

11 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: But, they, --
12 five, four of the five have reached or exceeded
13 their maximum service life.

14 DIRECTOR GANS: And these are Power
15 Cots?

16 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: Power Cots,
17 yes, sir.

18 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

19 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: Battery
20 operated and they -- they function with the power
21 loader, which is anchored to the floor.

22 DIRECTOR GANS: And about how long
23 have we had the ones that we're replacing?

24 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: Ten years,
25 maybe. Maybe, nine.

1 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Less -- less than
2 ten, because I've only been here nine years and
3 ten months and I believe we got these shortly
4 after I arrived.

5 CHIEF SPIEGEL: What are the series
6 life for them?

7 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: The series
8 life is seven years.

9 CHIEF SPIEGEL: That's how long
10 we've had 'em then.

11 These will be the replacements you
12 replace?

13 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: Yes, sir.
14 That's correct.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. Because, for
16 me, it seems like we just bought them. But, it
17 seems like that with everything we buy, so, --
18 I've been here too long, or we're buying them too
19 fast.

20 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: I concur.

21 DIRECTOR GANS: Thank you.

22 All right. I will make a motion to
23 purchase two Power Pro XT Cots from Stryker for
24 the total amount of \$36,176.00 and no cents.

25 Do I hear a second?

1 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Second.
2 DIRECTOR GANS: Discussion.
3 (No response.)
4 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?
5 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.
6 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.
7 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.
8 Motion passes. You're good.
9 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Thank you.
10 DEPUTY CHIEF HARPER: Thank you.
11 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Item B is --
12 Michelle DePew is attending electronically from
13 Columbia.
14 DIRECTOR GANS: Columbia South
15 America?
16 (General chuckles.)
17 MS. DEPEW: Nooo.
18 DIRECTOR GANS: Quanta Questo.
19 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Columbia, South
20 Carolina.
21 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. Are -- are
22 we seeing -- oh, how -- how are we going to
23 communicate with her?
24 CHIEF SPIEGEL: We have to use this
25 Ipad, so she will be audible, hopefully.

1 ASSISTANT CHIEF CREWS: Michelle, can
2 you hear us?

3 MS. DEPEW: I can hear you. Can you
4 hear me?

5 ASSISTANT CHIEF CREWS: Yeah.

6 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. Very
7 good.

8 And, down at the very end, I see
9 something that looks like Michelle. And that's
10 probably -- and now I see her.

11 Okay. She did see us.

12 CHIEF SPIEGEL: So, we have
13 provided, in your packet, the investment
14 recommendations.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

16 So, as Michelle knows, because she
17 sent copies of this to the Board by email,
18 earlier.

19 We have these investment recommend-
20 ations, but she and I corresponded about this
21 last week, was it?

22 MS. DEPEW: Probably around two
23 weeks ago.

24 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

25 MS. DEPEW: Yeah.

1 DIRECTOR GANS: So, we went through
2 the investment recommendations and Michelle has
3 -- I don't think what we have in front of us is
4 the cash flow needs.

5 But, those were emailed to everyone,
6 so that we'd all have a chance to see how
7 Michelle came up with --

8 MS. DEPEW: Right.

9 DIRECTOR GANS: -- what we needed
10 and what we had for investments.

11 So, I want to begin, Michelle, by
12 complimenting you on what you have provided to
13 us, so that we can make an important decision,
14 not only about the investments, but about the
15 cash-flow needs, so that we know the monies
16 available when we need it, but invested when we
17 don't.

18 So, --

19 MS. DEPEW: Right.

20 DIRECTOR GANS: -- I don't have
21 any questions. I actually didn't have any
22 questions, then, as I went through the
23 information.

24 Does anyone else have questions for
25 Michelle?

1 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I do not.

2 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I do not.

3 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. So, it will
4 be complicated to read the entire investment
5 process that's contemplated here, because it's
6 multi-faceted.

7 In the past, we --

8 MS. DEPEW: Well, I tried to
9 simplify it, --

10 DIRECTOR GANS: Yeah.

11 MS. DEPEW: -- by giving you two
12 requests.

13 Under the CDRS Program, there is a
14 request for 13 weeks at a rate of 2.40.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

16 MS. DEPEW: And then under UMB is a
17 secondary request for the block of 8.2 million
18 for Treasury Agency and commercial paper.

19 But, I did try to simplify it for
20 your reading.

21 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

22 MS. DEPEW: And see that under --

23 DIRECTOR GANS: Yeah, I do.

24 MS. DEPEW: -- page 15?

25 DIRECTOR GANS: Yes. I did.

1 MS. DEPEW: All right.

2 DIRECTOR GANS: And, so, Matt,
3 would you like me to read this into the record?

4 ATTORNEY HOFFMAN: Yeah, I think just
5 read the general request.

6 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

7 ATTORNEY HOFFMAN: So --

8 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

9 So, at this time I make a motion to
10 invest the amount of -- the total CDRS is, --
11 Michelle?

12 MS. DEPEW: CDRS, we're doing a re-
13 investment for the lines one-zero-zero-one to
14 one-zero-zero-four.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

16 MS. DEPEW: It's a rolling
17 investment.

18 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

19 So, the motion is to reinvest the
20 following amounts, \$1,030,491.52; the amount of
21 -- of -- the amount -- this is the same amount,
22 again, but it's a second investment,
23 \$1,030,491.75; the amount of \$1,029,702.58; the
24 amount of \$1,016,254.44; in 13 week invest --
25 into 13 week investments at a rate of 2.4

1 percent.

2 Michelle, would that be compre-
3 hensively correct?

4 MS. DEPEW: That would be correct.

5 DIRECTOR GANS: Thank you.

6 That is the motion. Do I hear a
7 second?

8 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I will second
9 that.

10 DIRECTOR GANS: Discussion?

11 (No response.)

12 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?

13 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

14 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.

16 Motion passes.

17 I, also, make a motion to invest the
18 following amounts, totaling 3.2 million dollars
19 in Treasury Agencies, with no more than 15
20 percent in commercial paper to mature upon the
21 schedule that I will now read.

22 All will be mature within 270 days.

23 Five hundred thousand -- \$500,000.00
24 to mature in April; seven hundred -- at a rate of
25 2.33 percent; \$750,000.00 to mature in June,

1 commercial paper, at a rate of 2.55 percent.

2 And, actually, amending the first
3 one. The first one is a mixture of Treasury and
4 Agency.

5 Continuing, 1.7 million dollars to
6 mature in July, a mixture of Treasury and Agency,
7 at a rate of 2.4 percent; 1.25 million to mature
8 in August, of which \$800,000.00 is Treasury and
9 Agency, at a rate of 2.45 percent; \$450,000.00 in
10 commercial paper at a rate of 2.6 percent.

11 One-point-two-five million to mature
12 in September, a measure -- a mixture of Treasury
13 and Agency at a rate of 2.46 percent; 1.5 million
14 to mature in October, a mixture of Treasury and
15 Agency, at a rate of 2.5 percent.

16 And, 1.25 million to mature in
17 November, a mixture of Treasury and Agency, at a
18 rate of 2.5 percent.

19 Do I hear a second?

20 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Second.

21 DIRECTOR GANS: Discussion?

22 (No response.)

23 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?

24 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

25 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

1 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.
2 Motion passes three to nothing.
3 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Thank you.
4 And, next, on the item is --
5 DIRECTOR GANS: Hold on one sec.
6 Michelle, are you going to stay with
7 us for the pension?
8 (Three people speaking at once.)
9 DIRECTOR GANS: Well, for the
10 budget, too.
11 Are you going to be staying with us
12 for pension, though?
13 MS. DEPEW: I can't hear you.
14 DIRECTOR GANS: Will you be staying
15 with us for the Pension Meeting?
16 MS. DEPEW: Yes.
17 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.
18 MS. DEPEW: Yes, I am.
19 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. All
20 right.
21 So, sorry, Cary. Go ahead.
22 CHIEF SPIEGEL: The next item I have
23 is the -- you're provided the new packet for 2018
24 budget adjustment.
25 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. Who

1 understood this?

2 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Michelle.

3 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Michelle did,
4 yeah.

5 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. So, you
6 all saw, there was communication with Michelle,
7 with a copy to the public file, about the budget
8 amendment.

9 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Hm-hm.

10 DIRECTOR GANS: And Michelle
11 proceeded to make me be quiet by using GASB,
12 which no one understands that.

13 But, -- so, I had asked a question
14 about the documents you provided us.

15 We -- we had the budget, we had the
16 revised budget to address and that's the "past,"
17 and we have a third column, which is the
18 unaudited December financial's.

19 Is that correct?

20 MS. DEPEW: That is correct.

21 DIRECTOR GANS: And you explained
22 the difference between the revised budget and the
23 unaudited December financial's to us.

24 MS. DEPEW: (inaudible)

25 DIRECTOR GANS: I'm going to ask

1 one more time if you can, in 20 words, explain it
2 again?

3 MS. DEPEW: The unaudited column
4 does not match the 2018 revision, due to the fact
5 that there will still be some audit adjustments
6 that need to be made for GASB and accrual
7 methods.

8 So, it's leaving room for those to
9 be done, to not have to come back for another
10 adjustment after the audit's been performed.

11 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. So, that's
12 pretty much what I understood.

13 Are you -- you all have any
14 questions about that?

15 DIRECTOR HARRIS: No, I -- I saw the
16 email --

17 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Hm-hm.

18 DIRECTOR HARRIS: -- from Michelle,
19 so I have none.

20 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

21 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Same.

22 DIRECTOR GANS: So that comes to,
23 what kind of motion do we need here?

24 MS. DEPEW: We -- we need -- the --
25 the purpose of this is to do the budget revision

1 for the audit.

2 So the auditors can say, "Yes, they
3 had a budget that was well within what they had
4 expected."

5 So we are adjusting revenues and I
6 gave the explanation on page 18, for the
7 discussions.

8 And we are minor-ly adjusting
9 expenditures and I gave those the explanations as
10 well.

11 So, the goal here is to approve the
12 budget revision and just put it -- understand
13 where the December's fall out.

14 But it needs an approval of the new
15 budget for 2018 and a recognition of that, so you
16 sort of understand why.

17 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. So, are they
18 going to expect a single number revising the
19 budget to the revised budget, or, --

20 MS. DEPEW: I -- I -- I think that
21 would be fine, because we dealt with -- they
22 don't recognize our budget based upon line items.

23 They recognize and base upon overall
24 budget.

25 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. And --

1 and you know that the -- the change here is
2 hundreds of dollars on 19 million dollars.
3 Right?

4 MS. DEPEW: That's correct.

5 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

6 I make a motion to amend the 2018
7 budget to the amount of \$19,065,068.00.

8 Do I hear a second?

9 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Second.

10 MS. DEPEW: You -- excuse me.

11 You'll need to also do an adjustment
12 to the revenues, as well. The revenues increased
13 significantly.

14 DIRECTOR GANS: So, we'll -- okay.
15 So we are then on -- that's what --

16 MS. DEPEW: Yes.

17 DIRECTOR GANS: I was trying to
18 figure out. Okay.

19 (Speaking over each other.)

20 MS. DEPEW: -- a budget adjustment
21 in your revenue section --

22 DIRECTOR GANS: Which one?

23 MS. DEPEW: -- and in your -- it's
24 --

25 (Speaking over each other.)

1 MS. DEPEW: Withdrawn.
2 (Speaking over each other.)
3 DIRECTOR GANS: Motion withdrawn.
4 Never happened.
5 (General chuckles.)
6 DIRECTOR GANS: I will make a
7 motion to amend the 2018 budget, as follows:
8 Revenues adjusted from
9 \$19,326,492.00 to twenty million nine hundred
10 ninety thousand forty -- four hundred forty-two
11 dollars (\$20,990,442.00) with expenditure amended
12 from \$19,301,779.00 to \$19,065,068.00.
13 Fund balances, also?
14 (No response.)
15 DIRECTOR GANS: Michelle?
16 MS. DEPEW: No. Not (one word not
17 clear). No.
18 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.
19 And that is my motion.
20 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Second, if you're
21 asking for one.
22 DIRECTOR GANS: I am.
23 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.

5 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Thank you.

6 My next item is --

7 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Go ahead.

8 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Did I interrupt you?

9 DIRECTOR HARRIS: No. I was going
10 to make a comment, but I won't now. Later.

11 CHIEF SPIEGEL: The next item is, in
12 your packet, Rick, is the advertisement
13 requesting -- a request for proposal for the
14 Safety Trailer.

15 Deputy Chief Herin is here to speak
16 to that.

17 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: Roger Herin,
18 fire marshal.

19 We are requesting to go out to bid
20 for a fire and life safety training trailer, to
21 be used for the public, for public education and
22 community risk prevention.

23 DIRECTOR HARRIS: It's about time.

24 (General chuckles.)

25 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: That's what I

1 hear.

2 CHIEF SPIEGEL: What happened to the
3 old one?

4 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: It died of old
5 age.

6 CHIEF SPIEGEL: It sat in the
7 parking lot and died of old age. You're right.

8 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: It did.

9 So, if you have any questions, I'll
10 be happy to try and answer them.

11 CHIEF SPIEGEL: All right.

12 So, we've got more than four weeks
13 of time for this.

14 Is there a meeting to be held, to --

15 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: No.

16 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Okay.

17 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: We won't need
18 that.

19 CHIEF SPIEGEL: That's been the new
20 thing, lately.

21 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: Right.

22 CHIEF SPIEGEL: All right. I will
23 make a motion to go out to bid for a safety
24 trailer, with sealed bids due at District
25 Headquarters, no later than four p.m. on Friday,

1 March 29th.

2 Do I hear a second?

3 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Second.

4 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Discussion?

5 (No response.)

6 CHIEF SPIEGEL: All in favor?

7 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Wait. Did I read
8 that?

9 DIRECTOR HARRIS: You don't have it.
10 It's -- it's -- it's -- yeah, 20 -- if I may
11 discuss?

12 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Yes, please.

13 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I'll just comment
14 that this is the safety trailer that we discussed
15 in the budget conference.

16 DIRECTOR MILLNER: This is the same
17 thing?

18 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Yes.

19 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Okay. I thought
20 so, but I wasn't sure and I hadn't seen that.

21 Okay. So, I'm fine with it.

22 CHIEF SPIEGEL: All right. So, we
23 have a motion and a second.

24 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Hm-hm.

25 CHIEF SPIEGEL: And we've had

1 discussion.

2 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Hm-hm.

3 CHIEF SPIEGEL: All in favor?

4 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

5 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

6 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Aye.

7 Motion passes.

8 FIRE MARSHAL HERIN: Thank you.

9 CHIEF SPIEGEL: Thanks, Roger.

10 Yes, sir, the final item I have is
11 Battalion Chief Fassler is -- is prepared to
12 speak to a request for the replacement of the
13 roof at the Maintenance -- that's our 2019 budget
14 item, as well.

15 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I -- I think that
16 was discussed in the 2010 budget, '11, '12, '13,
17 '14, '15, '16 and --

18 DIRECTOR GANS: Finally.

19 B. C. FASSLER: That's what I was
20 telling the chief. I think the fire is glowing.

21 (General laughter.)

22 DIRECTOR HARRIS: It's possible.

23 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. And
24 what's wrong with the old roof?

25 B. C. FASSLER: Around 18,

1 whatever, two little birds making nests on it.

2 It's due. It's a fair request.

3 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. So,
4 anything you want to describe to us, or is this
5 pretty straight forward?

6 B. C. FASSLER: It's pretty
7 straight forward. I have a whole -- several
8 pages of drawings and a lot of detail here that
9 is -- the drawings are pretty foreign to me, but,
10 it -- it seems to be fair -- further -- well
11 thought out in plans.

12 So, our -- our hope is to start as
13 soon as the weather breaks in -- in the spring
14 and get this done as soon as possible.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: And is the pre-bid
16 construction meeting mandatory, or optional?

17 B. C. FASSLER: It is -- it is
18 mandatory.

19 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

20 B. C. FASSLER: And we do have
21 that indicated, in bold, at the bottom of the --

22 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay.

23 B. C. FASSLER: -- the detail
24 proposal page.

25 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

1 I'll make a motion to go out to bid
2 to replace the roof on the Maintenance Building
3 with a pre-construction meeting that is mandatory
4 for bidders to be held at ten a.m. on Tuesday,
5 March 5th, at the Maintenance Building at 151 Long
6 Road, Chesterfield, with sealed bids due by four
7 p.m., on Friday, March 29th.

8 Do I hear a second?

9 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I'll second.

10 DIRECTOR GANS: Discussion?

11 (No response.)

12 DIRECTOR GANS: All --

13 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I -- I have a --

14 DIRECTOR GANS: Sorry.

15 DIRECTOR MILLNER: -- list of
16 questions. There are about 17 questions, I have.

17 DIRECTOR GANS: Great.

18 (General chuckles.)

19 A VOICE: (inaudible)

20 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I waiting for the
21 reaction.

22 (General laughter.)

23 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I actually do have
24 just a couple of quick questions.

25 What type of a roof is on there now?

1 B. C. FASSLER: Right now, it's a
2 --

3 DIRECTOR HARRIS: The tar?

4 B. C. FASSLER: It's -- it appears
5 to be. I -- it's hard -- it's covered in a lot
6 of rock, so, underneath that, I believe there's
7 some tar paper, because the people that came out,
8 the person that did a quote sample drawing and
9 were there, we'll get through that and see that.
10 You know. What that looked like, so, -- I -- I
11 really couldn't tell if it's tar, or whether, or
12 what it is.

13 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Are we looking at
14 a different type of roof?

15 B. C. FASSLER: I -- I believe
16 it's a rubberized roof, as described in the
17 proposal.

18 We're removing the old roof,
19 obviously, down to the metal and there's going to
20 be no rock, but I believe it's going to be a
21 white fire stalk -- stone, 60 (not clear) a lot
22 of acronyms -- membrane.

23 I'm assuming that's rubber.

24 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Okay.

25 (General chuckles.)

1 DIRECTOR MILLNER: It sounds like
2 rubber to me.

3 DIRECTOR GANS: He won't be bidding
4 on this.

5 (General laughter.)

6 DIRECTOR HARRIS: No, I just -- I --
7 I was just a little curious as to what was there.
8 And -- and that's the only question
9 I had.

10 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

11 Any further discussion?

12 (No response.)

13 DIRECTOR GANS: If not, I will call
14 for the question.

15 All in favor?

16 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

17 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

18 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.

19 Motion passes.

20 B. C. FASSLER: Thank you.

21 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Thanks for all
22 your work on that.

23 B. C. FASSLER: Okay.

24 CHIEF SPIEGEL: That's all I have.

25 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

1 I'm hope -- I'm hoping somebody has
2 the March Meeting Dates handy. If not, I can
3 find it in my emails.

4 DIRECTOR MILLNER: I do not.

5 MISTER HOFFMAN: I do.

6 DIRECTOR GANS: So, that takes us
7 to the Attorney's Report.

8 MISTER HOFFMAN: I do not have a
9 report, this evening.

10 DIRECTOR GANS: Good.

11 (General chuckles.)

12 DIRECTOR GANS: Can you -- can you
13 --

14 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Can you make
15 something up?

16 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Well, here, while
17 -- while we're waiting, I do want to make a quick
18 comment that I -- I neglected to note.

19 Lieutenant J. G. O'Hare, landed,
20 reporting to the commanding officer and I'm sure
21 there were many shouts, cheers, pats on the back,
22 but when he left he was Lieutenant Commander
23 O'Hare.

24 So, in a matter of one aerial
25 battle, he was promoted from O-Two, Lieutenant J.

1 G., all the way up to 0-Four, Lieutenant
2 Commander, which normally would've taken a span
3 of several years.

4 Had enough time?

5 DIRECTOR GANS: No.

6 Cary -- Cary, you sent -- one of you
7 sent -- maybe it was you, Robin, sent the final
8 --

9 DIRECTOR HARRIS: I did. And,
10 actually, then I will comment, the strange part
11 of this; his father, Lieutenant Commander's
12 O'Hare's father, actually, I believe, was Al
13 Capone's bookkeeper.

14 And managed to keep his family
15 separate from his underworld job.

16 So, his son and I -- I don't know if
17 he had additional children, grew up on the
18 straight and narrow path.

19 Well, as straight and narrow as you
20 can be, if you were a Naval aviator.

21 DIRECTOR GANS: All right. Thank
22 you.

23 Whew!

24 (General laughter.)

25 DIRECTOR GANS: New Business.

1 We have our March Meeting Dates that
2 the Board has communicated via email, with a copy
3 to the public file.

4 March is a little bit challenging.
5 One of the members of the Board will not only be
6 out of the city, but out of the country, on a
7 very important mission.

8 And, therefore, the first meeting,
9 he will miss.

10 DIRECTOR HARRIS: You're looking at
11 rescue boats, aren't you?

12 DIRECTOR GANS: Yes. Correct. The
13 kinds that work down under the water.

14 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Legs. Sea-legs.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: All right.

16 So, the following meeting dates are
17 scheduled for March. These are subject to
18 change, but they are -- if they are changed,
19 they'll be posted, they'll be on the website.

20 The first meeting will be an Open
21 Meeting on March 5th at six p.m.

22 I will not be able to attend.

23 On March 13th, Wednesday, there will
24 be a Closed Meeting at seven p.m.

25 On March 20th, Wednesday, at six

1 p.m., there will be an Open Meeting.

2 And on March 26th, there is Closed
3 Meeting, which the time has not been determined.
4 Let's set that time at five p.m., for a Closed
5 Meeting on the 26th.

6 There will be a Pension Meeting
7 following that meeting.

8 Those are our March Meeting Dates.

9 Is there any Unfinished Business?

10 (No response.)

11 DIRECTOR GANS: Hearing none, --
12 I'm looking for my agenda to make sure I didn't
13 miss anything.

14 DIRECTOR HARRIS: No. You didn't.

15 DIRECTOR GANS: Okay. At this
16 time, I make a motion to adjourn.

17 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Second.

18 DIRECTOR GANS: Discussion?

19 (No response.)

20 DIRECTOR GANS: All in favor?

21 DIRECTOR MILLNER: Aye.

22 DIRECTOR HARRIS: Aye.

23 DIRECTOR GANS: Aye.

24 Aye. Motion --

25 Aye.

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Motion passes.

We are adjourned and off the record.

There will be a Pension Meeting --

(Whereupon, at 7:30 P.M., the Board
adjourned as described above. The foregoing
Minutes were recorded by the Monarch Fire
Protection District and transcribed by Virginia
L. Long.)