

MONARCH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE JANUARY 19, 2023

A quorum of the Board of Directors being present, the Open Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District for January 19, 2023, is called to Order by Director Millner at 3:32 p.m.

It is further announced that the Open Meeting of the Board of Directors is in session for the transaction of Monarch Fire Protection District business.

Present at the Open Meeting: Director Gans, Director Harris, Director Millner, Fire Chief Adams, Assistant Chief Crews and legal counsel Matt Hoffman.

To begin the meeting, everyone in attendance rises to their feet and participates in the Pledge of Allegiance.

After a discussion by the Board of Directors and the administrative staff of the District, there is one (1) change to the Open Board Meeting Agenda. The Oath of Office under the President's Report is postponed to a future Open Board Meeting.

It is also reported that there are no public citizen comments or questions submitted by residents of the Monarch Fire Protection District for a response from the Board of Directors or the administrative staff.

Under the President's Report, new employees Grant Chitwood and Nick Demere are sworn in as firefighter/paramedics of the Monarch Fire Protection District.

Thereafter, Captain Brent Coleman is sworn in as a Battalion Chief of the Monarch Fire Protection District.

Under the Secretary's Report, after discussion about the Minutes during the Open Board Meeting, there was a change to the draft, which has now been corrected.

Motion by Director Millner to approve the Open Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 14, 2022 and Wednesday, December 21, 2022. Second by Director Gans. All in favor.

Director Gans – Aye
Director Harris - Aye
Director Millner - Aye

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Motion by Director Millner to approve the Closed Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 14, 2022 and Wednesday, December 21, 2022. Second by Director Gans. All in favor.

Director Gans – Aye
Director Harris - Aye
Director Millner - Aye

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That concludes the Secretary's Report.

Under the Treasurer's Report, it is announced that there are total disbursements for the Monarch Fire Protection District for the period in the amount of \$1,319,140.84.

It is also announced that there are twelve (12) checks over the amount of \$5,000.00, which include the following:

2022 General Fund

Drone Sense - \$7,000.00
Energy Petroleum - \$7,111.68
Gerstner Electric - \$6,600.00

2023 General Fund

Central County 911 - \$258,823.71
Feathershark - \$6,671.24
St. Louis Bank - \$418,971.03
United Healthcare - \$237,658.28
Zell Medical - \$57,657.57

Bond Fund

Ahal Preconstruction - \$11,605.44
LCS, LLC - \$89,357.80
LCS, LLC - \$129,100.22
Montgomery Bank - \$28,182.00

The disbursements are discussed in detail and it is announced that specific questions regarding the disbursements have previously been submitted by the Board of Directors to the District Controller.

Additionally, it is announced in the Open Board Meeting that a copy of the inquiries regarding the disbursements were also sent electronically to the Public File of the Monarch Fire Protection District.

After discussion, the Fire Chief states that the checks were prepared per his recommendation and, to his knowledge, the payments do not violate any Missouri state bidding statutes or constitute installment payments.

Motion by Director Harris to approve the disbursements/payments as prepared. Second by Director Millner. All in favor.

Director Gans – Aye
Director Millner - Aye
Director Harris - Aye

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Additionally, on this date (January 19) in 1915 England suffered its first WWI casualties during an attack on the seaside towns of Great Yarmouth and King's Lynn.

That concludes the Treasurer's Report.

Under the Chief's Report, a detailed presentation is provided by insurance representative Ken Yavitz during the Open Board Meeting regarding insurance coverage and renewal costs for property, auto, general liability, cyber security and builders risk insurance. Additionally, questions are asked by the Board of Directors regarding coverage limits, deductibles and the applicable umbrella policy.

Motion by Director Millner to renew the applicable insurance coverages for the Monarch Fire Protection District per the recommendation of insurance representative Ken Yavitz with an insurance premium of \$216,024.00 and an additional cyber security premium of \$21,931.00. Second by Director Gans. All in favor.

Director Gans – Aye
Director Harris - Aye
Director Millner - Aye

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The District uniform vendor is also discussed by those in attendance. There are four (4) bidders and each bid was received sealed and on time. After discussion, it is agreed that this matter will be addressed at a future Open Board Meeting.

That concludes the Chief's Report.

Under New Business, the following meeting dates are set:

February 2, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. - Open
February 6, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. - Closed
February 23, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. - Open
February 28, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. - Closed

That concludes New Business.

Motion by Director Millner to go into Closed Session in accordance with Section 610.021 of the Missouri Revised Statutes to address the following topics:

- Legal issues and advice;
- Personnel.

Second by Director Gans. All in favor.

Director Gans – Aye
Director Harris - Aye
Director Millner - Aye

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(After the Closed Meeting of the Board of Directors, the Open Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District is resumed as follows.)

Director Millner announces that the Board of Directors is back on the record in the Open Meeting at 5:11 p.m. following a Closed Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District.

Director Millner also states on the Open Meeting record that one (1) vote was taken by the Board of Directors during the Closed Board Meeting, which will be announced in accordance with the Missouri Sunshine Law.

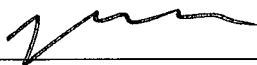
Hearing no other District business, Motion by Director Millner to adjourn the Open Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District. Second by Director Gans. All in favor.

Director Gans – Aye
Director Harris - Aye
Director Millner - Aye

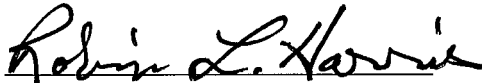
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The Open Board Meeting of the Monarch Fire Protection District is adjourned and off the record at 5:12 p.m.

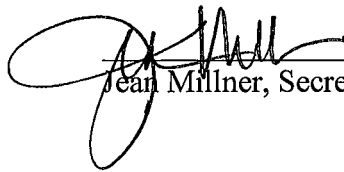
Executed this 24th day of March, 2023.



Rick Gans, President



Robin Harris, Treasurer



Jean Millner, Secretary

(Transcribed by Mathew E. Hoffman)