

**Holmen Area Fire Board
Board Meeting
Holmen Area Fire Department – Meeting Room
June 22, 2017
6:30 pm**

President Bogert called the Holmen Area Fire Board meeting to order at 6:30 pm on June 22, 2017 at the Holmen Area Fire Department Meeting Room.

Board members present by Roll Call: Kathy Warzynski (substituting for Steve Michaels), Jerome Pedretti, Bill Ebner, Chuck Olson, Stan Hauser and Rolly Bogert. Also present was Fire Chief Menches, Assistant Chief Bulawa and Lt. Cook.

Motion by Stan Hauser, Seconded by Bill Ebner, to Approve the minutes of the May 18, 2017 meeting. Carried.

Chuck Olson gave a recap of our year to date financials. Motion to approve by Bill Ebner, Seconded by Stan Hauser, Carried

Residents Comments: None

Firefighters Comments: None

Assistant Chief Bulawa reported on calls since our May meeting. A total of 80 calls including 54 medical, 16 fire calls and 9 other. Also a Mutual Aid call to assist Trempealeau. Of these calls 63 were in the Village, 11 in the Town of Onalaska and 5 in the Town of Holland.

Chief Menches informed the Board of a number of items happening in the department.

- 1) An update of the run report was presented and discussed
- 2) YTD & May Call Back Participation report was presented
- 3) New applicant Matt Thompson passed all requirements and will be online by end of August
- 4) Update on new Physical Exam process which is equal to La Crosse FD process
- 5) Chief Menches informed the Board he will be out of state June 24-30

Discussion was held regarding the disposition of Unit P767 and utilize the proceeds toward the new Rescue Squad.

Motion by Chuck Olson, Seconded by Bill Ebner to proceed with the sale and proceeds to be used toward Rescue Squad vehicle. Motion Carried

Motion was made by Chuck Olson, Seconded by Jerome Pedretti to authorize Chief Menches to proceed with getting quotes for the proposed new Rescue Squad and bring back to the Board for action. Carried

Discussion was held regarding modification of SOP 601 to eliminate Paragraph 5.3. Policy has been reviewed by legal counsel and that is their recommendation. Motion by Bill Ebner to modify the policy as recommended. Seconded by Stan Hauser. Carried

Chief Menches reviewed the recruitment process and will be advertising for the proposed full time position and additional paid on call members. Motion by Jerome Pedretti, Seconded by Chuck Olson to proceed with the plan. Carried

Discussion was held regarding using radio advertising to assist in the requirement process. No action was taken.

Motion by Stan Hauser and Seconded by Bill Ebner to convene into Closed Session. Roll call vote Carried

The Board shall consider a motion to convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(2) for the purpose of "Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business," with respect to public fund expenditures regarding employee benefits.

Motion by Bill Ebner and Seconded by Stan Hauser to reconvene in Open Session. Roll call vote. Carried

Motion was made by Chuck Olson to make necessary adjustments to Health Insurance Differentiation for full time employees for 2017. Seconded by Jerome Pedretti. Carried

Motion by Bill Ebner to adjourn, Seconded by Stan Hauser. Carried

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