

Germantown Hills Fire Protection District
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April 3, 2018 7:00 p.m.

Germantown Hills Fire Protection District Board:

Present:

Randy Nash, President
Brian Christensen, Secretary
Gary Hull, Treasurer

Officers also present:

Chip Wilmot, Fire Chief
Ed Madden, Asst. Chief
Chad Dawson, Asst. Chief
Lonnie Beckwith, Asst. Chief
Ryan Williamson, Division Chief/Administrator
Victor Garza, Captain

1. Call to Order and Roll Call- President Randy Nash called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes-The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed.

- 1) **Regular Meeting of March 6, 2018-**A motion was made by Gary Hull to approve the regular meeting minutes from March 6, 2018. The motion was seconded by Brian Christensen. All yeas and no nays. **Motion passed #1.**

3. Officers Report

Chip Wilmot gave the run report and equipment repair report. The April training will include pumper operations, hose line operations, small appliances, etc... If the weather does not allow everyone to be outside they will cover the topic of a firefighter's role in fire investigations.

A small equipment grant request through the office of the Illinois State Fire Marshall was submitted. They still need some additional information.

Chad Dawson reported the EMS training is on stroke.

Ed Madden noted the Easter egg hunt went well. Fire School will be the first week of May.

4. Report from all Committees-None

5. Old Business

- 1) **Discussion and possible action regarding the addition of a storm shelter to the fire department property.**

Ed Madden is still looking on some more information on the concrete for a potential storm shelter.

- 2) **Discussion and possible action regarding review of Germantown Fire Protection District salary ranges to determine if any changes are needed to keep the rates competitive.**

Chip Wilmot noted they haven't had much time to discuss this. He is looking at the possibility of raising everyone by a \$1.00 an hour. He will put together a proposal and get it to Brian Christensen to make sure it will fit into the next budget. This was deferred until the next meeting. Randy Nash noted he would like this to get completed as it has been on the agenda for several months.

- 3) **Discussion only regarding development of the budget for the next budget and Appropriations Ordinance.**

Brian Christensen and Bruce Mathes will meet in order to have a proposed budget prepared for the next meeting.

6. New Business

- 1) **Discussion and possible action regarding the agreement for dispatch services with Tazewell County Consolidated Communications to cover a small number of properties that are routed through their new consolidated call center.**

Randy Nash explained the proposed agreement.

A motion was made by Brian Christensen to approve the agreement for dispatch services with Tazewell County Consolidated Communications to cover a small number of properties that are routed through their new consolidated call center. The motion was seconded by Gary Hull. All yeas and no nays. **Motion passed #2.**

- 2) **Discussion and possible action regarding opening bids received for the purchase of a new ambulance to replace Medic 1 due to its deteriorating condition and high mileage.**

Two sealed bids were received. Ryan Williamson will review and compare the bids. The board will need to look at the budget closely once the bids are confirmed.

7. Human Resources

1) Discussion and possible action regarding appointment of new positions:

New Volunteer Firefighter-Lori Marion Resignation part time EMT-Alistaire Presley

A motion was made by Brian Christensen to approve Lori Marion to the position of Volunteer Firefighter. The motion was seconded by Gary Hull. All yeas and no nays. **Motion passed #3.**

8. Treasurer Report

1) Discussion and possible action regarding authorization of bills presented for payment

A motion was made by Randy Nash to approve the payment of the bills. The motion was seconded by Brian Christensen. All yeas and no nays. **Motion passed #4.**

The treasurer's report will be presented at the next meeting.

9. Secretary Report-Brian Christensen reported the February and March minutes have been submitted for posting to the website.

10. Correspondence-Illinois Public Risk Fund pooling agreement will be on the next agenda.

11. Review of Annual Schedule of Activities-The annual schedule of activities was reviewed.

12. Public Comments-None

13. Meeting Schedule-The next meeting is on May 1, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

14. Adjournment-A motion was made by Brian Christensen to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. The motion was seconded by Gary Hull. All yeas and no nays. **Motion passed #5.**

Ann Sasso, Administrative Clerk