

OTTO FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 8, 2016

Attending: Don Girod 2019 Allison Girod, Secretary/Treasurer
 Marlene Gregory 2020 Joe Pocobello, Asst Chief 2
 Ron Neal 2018
 Stew Ritchie 2016
 Don Sinn 2017

1. Meeting was opened at 7:38pm by Don Girod.
2. Motion to approve February, 2016 minutes: made by Ron, seconded by Marlene, approved.
3. March Treasurer's report:

	Balance	Interest Rate
CCB checking - #1710057912	\$484.70	0.10%
CCB savings – Savings #1720049483	\$58,138.21	0.20%
CCB savings – Contingency #1720049505	\$41,521.41	0.20%
CCB savings – Reserve #1720049513	\$42,333.64	0.20%
CCB savings – Radio #1720052999	\$4,411.42	0.20%
Total	\$146,889.38	

Transferred \$59,000.00 from Checking to Savings
 Transferred \$5,000 to Radio from 2015 funds.
 Transferred \$7,145.54 to Reserve from 2015 funds
 Transferred \$9,814.13 from Radio to Checking to pay Motorola bill

Bills paid since February meeting:

Ck #	Payment information	Amount
1507	Verizon Wireless	\$13.17
1513	National Fuel – adjusted after phone call	\$220.06
1508	East Otto VFD – shared cost for forms for chimney fire reporting	\$14.50
1511	Dival Safety – last 4 helmet shields	\$138.00
1510	Catt County DPW – pipe, coupler, wire, for chimney fire equipment	\$12.31
1512	Promark Associated Agencies	\$8,350.23
1514	Motorola – portables, mobiles, base station	\$9,814.13

Bills to pay

	Billing information	Amount
	Verizon Wireless	\$13.96
	National Fuel	\$138.27
	CCB – Otto8 annual loan payment plus 6 months interest	\$5,650.00
	Association of Fire Districts – 2 Commissioner training fees	\$250.00
	Matt Dickinson – reimburse for Darley order of reducers	\$44.90

The current bills were checked by all Commissioners. The reconciled February checking account statement, check images and paid bills were viewed by all Commissioners . Motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills; made by Marlene, seconded by Don, approved.

Old Business

4. Radio Grant – All pagers and portable radios have been received after programming and engraving. We also have paid for the mobile radios, which need to be installed by Eagle. Someone needs to contact them to set this up.
5. Old generator. The online auction finished on Tuesday, Feb 16, at \$550. It was paid for and taken away, but we are still waiting for the check from the auction house.
6. Servicing of the breathing air compressor was done on March 4 by Smith Fire Equipment from PA. He noted that the four big yellow tanks for the compressor and the 6 tanks on Otto 7 all need to be hydrotested. He will set up times to come with cylinders to swap out and get this done.

New Business

7. Chief's report:
 - Matt Dickinson has indicated that he wants to step down and have Tony Riehle take over. There was a discussion that the chief needs to be approved by the Commissioners, and that Matt will need to formally submit his resignation and the fire department will have to formally present the Commissioners with a name for chief for approval. State law says that the chief remains the chief until a new chief is approved by the district and does not give power to appoint a new chief without having the department forward a name. Article IV section 2 of the OVFD bylaws says that the department may have an election whenever an office becomes vacant.
 - Joe reported that several things have been discussed by the chiefs.
 - a. Otto 2 should be eliminated and there should not be large sums spent on it. It is the last truck out of the hall since there are very few drivers for it. It is used for filling tankers mostly, but mutual aid will generally provide another pumper. Pump maintenance is all that has been done for the last two years – no repairs.
 - b. I am responding has GPS capability if there is a tablet.
 - c. When the fire department expands the fire hall there will likely be a request for an increase in the lease payment.
8. Printouts for two grant sites were distributed. One possible grant would be for 16 new SCBA bottles since the current ones cannot be used after May 2018. These cost about \$2000 each. The Commissioners will look over the information.
9. Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm.