

VERDOY BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Meeting Agenda
May 21, 2020
7:00PM

Present were:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Commissioner D. Meservey (DM)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Counselor Greg Serio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	President Jasiewicz
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Commissioner B. Meservey (BM)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Counselor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Secretary Jasiewicz
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Commissioner D. Johnson (DJ)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chief DiNovo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Treasurer Riley
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Commissioner K. Wheatley (KW)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chief Carmichael	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dep. Treas. Scimeca
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Commissioner M. Brehm (MB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chief Friedman	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____

Call to Order:

- The May 21, 2020 Commissioners Meeting of the Verdox Fire District was called to order at the Verdox Fire Department by Commissioner D. Meservey at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Approve Minutes:

- Motion by **KW** and 2nd by **DJ** to approve and waive the reading of minutes of the regular meeting held on April 23, 2020.

Correspondence: None

Treasurer's Report:

- As of May 21, 2020, District Funds totaled \$ _____; Motion by **DJ**, 2nd by **MB**.

Payment of Bills:

- Motion by **DJ**, 2nd by **BM**, the Board approved payment of the vouchers as audited.

Commissioners:

D. Meservey

- Still monitoring the Covid virus. After some issues in the beginning, everyone seems to be following the guidelines. I will be in contact with the chief as far as lifting restrictions.
- Some weights/dumbbells have been signed out to members. I'm keeping track of it.
- Birthday parades seems to be a success, a lot of PR
- After last months meeting with me not clearly understanding everyone, the tables have been spaced apart more to maintain social distance. I appreciate everyone's cooperation in this.

B. Meservey

- Dave Ferrone from Tech II upgraded the computers except for the officers laptop and computer in the radio room. I'll be contacting him to set a date in the near future to finish the upgrades with taking the server down and upgrade remaining computers to Windows 10.
- I contacted Verizon about switching over our phone systems to them to combine our monthly bill with internet. Just currently awaiting having our tax exempt status added so we can make

the switch. In the meantime I upgraded our old internet plan that they no longer offer, we were paying \$142 a month for 75mb upload and download speed. Our new plan which is already in effect is \$102 a month for 200mb upload and download speeds. Once we switch over the phones we'll save roughly \$135 a month by combing service.

- Newsletter Status – Still need to sit down with the Chief and President to figure out what we want to print in the initial newsletter.
- Talked to sign company about fixing the digital sign out front. The top frame is falling apart and dead pixels on the screen.

D. Johnson

- Compressor is repaired
- Lawn fertilizer company quotes obtained. Vote under new business.
- Roof repairs – Meeting with consultant about best options.

K. Wheatley

- Insurance:
 - Review of 3 quotes and vote on the new policy to start June 1st.
- LOSAP:
 - Penflex expects to have the report completed by the end of next week.
- DUNS#:
 - Application is in progress.

M. Brehm

- No report

Attorney Serio:

- To be addressed in executive session

President Jasiewicz:

- Considering changes to incentive award program.
- Asking for membership approval of Noah Caney
 - Motion by **BM**, 2nd by **MB**...*motion passes*

Report of Chiefs:

Chief DiNovo

- Discussion about opening up the firehouse and training post Covid-19 expected June 1st, classroom drill in hall only at this point starting June 15th.
- Discussion on future small vehicles and apparatus.
 - Would like approval to researching pricing on a new Squad and Zodiac.
- Discussion on the Board of Elections using the firehouse. Sterilization responsibility TBD.
- Day staff now using radio room as office, also have independent emails for direct Board contact and direction.
- Chiefs to inventory firematic equipment in the cage to provide a list to the Board for recommended DXing.

Chief Carmichael

- Boat Issues – Piston holding engine cover needs repair. Getting estimate on repair, details to follow. Boat 11 also had PM and some electrical repairs pertaining to batteries and switches.
- Discussion regarding training/firefighter 1 scheduling and restricted firefighter training.

Chief Friedman

- No report

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- Motion by **KW**, 2nd by **DJ**, to spend \$27,336 to ESIP for insurance bundling. **Motion passed.**
- Motion by **BM**, 2nd by **MB**, to spend \$954.18 on lawn fertilizer company. **Motion passed.**
- **Motion to enter executive session by DM, 2nd by DJ at 8:25pm.**
- **Motion to exit executive session by BM, 2nd by KW at 9:02pm**
- Motion by **MB**, 2nd by **BM** to retain all personnel records from this point forward. **Motion passed.**

Adjournment:

- Motion made by **DJ**, with a second from **BM**, to adjourn the meeting at **9:09**. *All in favor, motion carried.*

2020 Meeting Schedule (*All meetings begin at 7:00pm unless otherwise noted*):

- June 18 (Regular Meeting)
- July 23 (Regular Meeting)
- August 20 (Regular Meeting)
- September 17 (Regular Meeting)
- October 13 (Public Budget Hearing)
- October 22 (Regular Meeting)
- November 19 (Regular Meeting)
- December 8 (Commissioner Elections)
- December 17 (Regular Meeting)

Respectfully Submitted

Thomas Jasiewicz
Secretary