

# **WILLIAMS RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

## **Workshop Board Meeting Minutes**

### **January 6, 2022**

Called to Order at 6:31pm

#### **Roll Call:**

##### **Board Members Present**

Position 1 – Heather Glass

Position 3 – Claudia Pratt

Position 4 – Bill Ertel

##### **Board Members Absent**

Position 2 – Sue Nevotti

Position 5 – Wes Nevotti

##### **Williams Staff Present**

Fire Chief - Rick Vetter

#### **Public Presence:**

Wilma Hyde, Support Group Member, Resident

#### **Workshop topic:**

Construction of Apparatus Structure

Chief Vetter talked about adding a decontamination area with showers, equipment, and supplies. We need to have a place for the firefighters to take everything off and be able to shower to decontaminate.

Some potential areas were discussed we could extend current station to put shower, or we could get a tin building and house the two apparatuses which could contain a shower. Behind the old fire station was listed as a potential space. Between the old fire station and data building is another potential place. Over behind the fence is the other option.

Old fire station building is not an option.

Clery Builders could be contacted for a bid. We will need three bids because of the dollar amount needed to do such a project would be large enough.

Chief took the action item to a look at the cost of this project and see what we can do for adding a new building and report back. We have 90 days before budget time.

Board Member Heather brought up the 5 minute talk rule- Bill Ertel suggested at the end of the board meetings we could look to implement where we are able to have 5 minutes to discuss something without having to vote.

Creek pump is now back to the school for review. No word on pump status.

#### **Budget discussion:**

Expenditures - Christmas bonus do they need to be voted on? Bill Ertel believes in the future we should vote on them. Next board meeting we will discuss how we can be better about voting on the bonuses and maybe implement a calendar for items that are important throughout the year.

**Staff-**

Stipend Rick or Oscar or Nicco get for 24 hours for every weekend day gets 50 per day per 24 hours. Claudia Pratt asked if the budget from the fire station could match this. The idea would be half would come from board and half would be from Stipend.

We need to look and see if Nicco and Oscar are paid for the weekend pay as it may already be compensated for in their weekend time because of their packages.

The Lieutenant hours are now 35 hours a week in the agreement. It was discussed to give him 5 more hours.

Board members Bill asked: Do our people have to have a certain number of hours to qualify for health care benefits? Yes, but all our people are at the minimum hours for getting the benefits.

The board needs to look and see if there are any benefits changes for the employees if we were to increase their hours. Paid vacation etc.... needs to be looked at before any decisions are to be made.

The board does evaluations on Jenny and Rick and Rick does evaluations on Nicco and Oscar. These should be done in March.

Claudia Pratt suggested to add human resources to the title of the administrative assistant. The administrative assistant is already performing these duties without the title.

Janitorial- we would like to have someone come do some janitorial and maintenance. 5 hours a week or 10 hours a week. It was discussed on who could do this and what would the job entail.

Old Fire Station- the weather has been bad so not much has been done to fix. We should put something into the budget to get the old fire station fixed. Sub committee will be done for the old fire station to come up with a dollar amount to fix.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm

Respectfully,

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Claudia Pratt, Board Chairperson