

**OSAGE BEACH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

August 22, 2023

Present: Director Tony Cicerelli, Director Kevin McRoberts, Director Robert Currier.

Also Present: Attorney Aaron Ellsworth, Fire Chief Paul Berardi, Fire Marshal Nicholson, Board Secretary Miranda Wimberley.

Director Cicerelli called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Public Hearing:

A public hearing was held regarding setting the 2023 Tax Rate for the 2024 Budget. Director McRoberts made a motion to approve the proposed tax rate of .7231 per \$100 dollars of assessed valuation. Director Currier seconded the motion, all in favor. Approved. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

None.

Consent Agenda:

Director McRoberts made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Currier seconded the motion, all in favor. Approved. Motion passed.

New Business:

Fire Chief Berardi presented Ordinance 2023-1 Fire Prevention to the Board to repeal and replace Ordinance 2020-1 Fire Prevention Code with respect to banning open flame grills on decks of multi-family structures and allowing a 12-to-18-month implementation period before Ordinance 2023-1 Fire Prevention would go into effect. John Frandson with the Meridian condominium complex questioned the Board with respect to allowing complexes that do not allow renters to have grills on their decks. Further discussion was held regarding the matter. Director McRoberts made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-1 Fire Prevention and for the ordinance to go into effect on March 1, 2025. Director Currier seconded the motion, all in favor. Motion passed.

Fire Chief Berardi advised the Board that he would begin searching for land again for a potential new fire station.

Fire Chief Berardi requested the Board's approval to purchase a \$1,000,000.00 8-month CD at 5.1%. Director Currier made a motion to approve the purchase as recommended. Director McRoberts seconded the motion, all in favor. Approved. Motion passed.

Fire Chief Berardi provided the Board an update with respect to Tanner Kerr, who has a conditional job offer for the FF/EMT position. The recruitment process is ongoing.

Fire Chief Berardi requested the September Board Meeting be moved to either Wednesday, September 20, 2023 or Thursday, September 21, 2023, to allow the required time for the meeting notice to be distributed, as the Office Manager will be out of the office the week prior. Board Members agreed to change the September Board Meeting date to September 21, 2023.

Fire Chief Berardi advised the Board that due to his absence in September, the Office Manager Shelley Dougan will release the checks following the September Board Meeting. Director Currier made a motion to accept the bills to be released by the Office Manager after the September Board Meeting. Director McRoberts seconded the motion, all in favor. Approved. Motion passed.

Reports:

Assistant Chief Stafford's report was accepted as submitted.

Fire Marshal Nicholson's report was accepted as submitted. Discussion held with respect to the Inn at Grand Glaize and the status of the open permits for dock inspections.

Board of Directors had nothing additional to report.

Documents for Board signature were presented and executed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Next scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors is September 21, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

Approved by:

Date: _____

Prepared by: Miranda Wimberley