



LINDEN – PETERS FIRE DISTRICT

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Member: Kenneth “Kenny” Watkins III

Minutes of Board Meeting

Thursday, April 6, 2023

The meeting of the Linden–Peters Rural County Fire Protection District Board of Directors was called to order by Vice President Thomas G. Watkins at 7:07 PM, Members present: Board Secretary David Frison, Board Member Paul Castellou, Jr, Board Member Kenny Watkins III. Members Absent: President Jack Plotz. L.P.F.D. on duty staff present: Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger, Captain Marcel Mojalli.

- (I.) Call to Order – 7:07 PM
- (II.) Roll Taken
Meeting minutes were taken by Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger.
- (III.) Public Comment – None
- (IV.) Minutes:
 - A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Regular Board Meeting Minutes – March 2023. Board Minutes approved on motion by P. Castellou Jr. and seconded by D. Frison. Motion passed with a vote of 3-0 – BM K. Watkins Abstained.
- (V.) Board Committee Reports
 - A. Training Facility Committee Report – Chief Noffsinger provided an update noting that Captain Reed is still working with engineers. No other progress has been made.
 - B. Financial Committee Report – VP T. Watkins gave the board a report on the quarterly financials. All paperwork is in order and there are no issues to discuss.
- (VI.) Financial Summary and Report
 - A. Monthly Financial, Current events summary for March 2023 - Presented by Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger. Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger provided an overview of the financials for the month of March 2023. Nothing new concerning financials for the district. Staff is working on next year’s budget.
- (VII.) Consent Agenda:
 - A. Discussion & Possible Action re: Approval of the March 2023 Monthly Financial Reports and expenditures. A motion to approve the financial reports was made by K. Watkins III and seconded by P. Castellou Jr.. Motion passed with a vote of 4-0.
- (VIII.) Current Events Summaries, Reports, and/or Correspondence:
Current Events for the Linden-Peters Fire District months of March 2023 was presented by Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger.
 - A. Departmental Report-Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger:

Fire Chief Kirk Noffsinger provided an update on the events and meetings held for the month of March 2023 along with providing an overview of the calls and the FIU report. Chief Noffsinger noted that E52 is still out of service at Diesel Performance.

Captain M. Mojalli provided the Shift, Training, Prevention, and Volunteer reports.

B. Union Report – None

(IX.) Unfinished Business

A. Discussion & Possible Action Re: New Engine Update

Fire Chief Noffsinger noted that Hi Tech is finishing up with the engine and it should be ready within the next month or so.

B. Discussion & Possible Action Re: FEMA Regional Radio Grant

Chief Noffsinger advised the Board that the committee has made a decision and it will be on next month's agenda for the board to approve the quote and move forward with purchasing the radios under the FEMA grant. The board was also informed that there would be extra funding and once the original items are purchased FEMA will give guidance on how the extra funds can be used.

(X.) New Business:

A. Discussion & Possible Action Re: Request to purchase an additional LUCAS Device and maintenance/Service agreement with Striker (the manufacturer of the LUCAS device).

Chief Noffsinger requested that the board agree to purchase an additional LUCAS Device for the department's second engine to insure there is one on every call if needed. The board discussed the cost of the device and the cost for the maintenance and service agreement. There was a long discussion on the need for the service and maintenance agreement and if we could get it cheaper if possible. Captain Mojalli brought the LUCAS device into the boardroom and gave a quick overview of how the item is used. There was no debate on the importance of having an additional device for the second engine, only the cost of the service / maintenance agreement.

Chief Noffsinger was directed by the board to see if there is any way to get a decrease in the service/maintenance cost. Chief Noffsinger agreed and stated that he would give the board an update at the May meeting.

(XI.) Board Questions and Comments

No questions or comments.

(XII.) Closed Session – None

(XIII.) Adjournment: Motion made by P. Castellou Jr. and seconded by K. Watkins III to adjourn the meeting. Being there was no further discussion the motion passed with a vote of 4-0. Motion carried and so ordered at 8:05 pm.

Absent

John E. Plotz, President



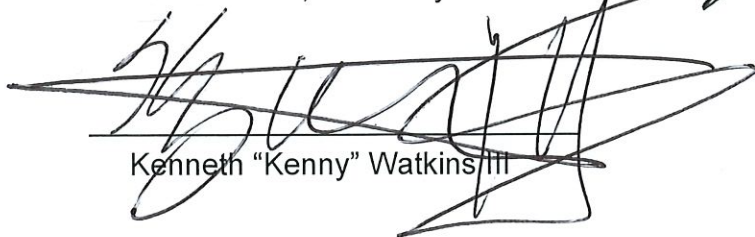
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David Frison, Secretary



Paul Castillou, Jr., Member



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