

FAIRDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

PLACE: Station 1

CHAIR: Rick Johnstone

RECORDER: Melanie Coomer

PRESENT: Mindy Stoess, Scott Clark, Carrie Blevins, Rick Johnstone (phone), Greg Longacre, Danny Bale, Chad Gardner, Josh McIntosh, Mary Taylor

ABSENT: Luke Rhode

DATE: October 13, 2025 COMMITTEE: Board of Trustees

TIME: 7:02 pm

Topic/Agenda Item	Significant Findings/Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendation	Action/Follow-up
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	Scott called the meeting to order		
	Letters of Commendation were handed out to Major Robert Milliner; Captain Ben Klein; Firefighter Brennan Dale; Firefighter Josh McIntosh II; Firefighter Zach Toles, and Firefighter Jacob Turner from a September fire		
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b>			
<b>APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>	The minutes from the last meeting were approved as written	<b>Mot: Danny Bale 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mindy Stoess</b>	Motion passed with no objections
<b>FINANCIAL REPORT</b>	Republic Bank General Checking \$58,183.35, General ICS account (3.59%), \$2,841,227.59, Payroll Account \$41,464.60, Reserve account \$618.43, Excess from operating ICS (Reserve) (3.59%) \$3,110,867.87, Peak Performance \$1.00, Current year tax ICS (3.59%) \$0, Total monies \$6,052,362.84. A motion was made to accept the financial report.	<b>Mot.- Greg Longacre 2<sup>nd</sup>.- Troy Newkirk</b>	Motion passed with no objections
<b>INVOICES TO BE PAID</b>	Invoices for the month of September. Regular invoices paid = \$40,035.24 Total for all invoices paid =100,655.15 There were several large invoices for the month: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$9500 for the new door, which is coming out of last year's budget. So we are going to have to transfer some money.</li><li>• Fire Specialty was \$12,896 which was maintenance on both Engines.</li><li>• Fire gear which was about \$3000.</li><li>• \$2000 on a new chain saw</li><li>• Kaiser Tires – \$2600 for new tires on the command cars</li><li>• Whitehouse Painting - \$23,730 for the exterior of the building which also was from the previous budget.</li></ul>	<b>Mot. – Danny Bale 2<sup>nd</sup> – Troy Newkirk</b>	Motion passed with no objections



	A motion was made to authorize the Holding Company to accept or the district to accept the one and only bid from Eclipse Bank for financing the EMS capital and operations financing.	<b>Mot: Rick Johnstone</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup>: Greg Longacre</b>	Motion passed with no objections
<b>SPECIAL FIREFIGHTER APPOINTMENT</b> • DRONE PILOT	We have been working on a drone program, and the pilot program training is taking longer than expected. We have someone interested in being a special firefighter, who would be considered a volunteer. Our bylaws have an appointment for a special firefighter. We would like to take and request that Jeremy Bale be a special firefighter. He will maintain the 20 hours required to be a volunteer firefighter. He has all the requirements for being a drone pilot.  Danny Bale excused himself from voting as a conflict of interest since Jeremy is his son.  Jeremy took the Oath of Office pending the background check.	<b>Mot: Troy Newkirk</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup>: Mindy Stoess</b>	Motion passed with no objections
<b>BABY BOX SOG'S</b>	The Baby Box has been installed. Tests have been completed. Carrie will be talking to them, but we have to have SOGs in place. The next step will be training so that the firefighters know what to do if someone leaves a baby. They will then come out and do an inspection. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carrie passed out policies and procedures that we will adopt</li> <li>• Captains and above will be trained on the baby box procedures</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	<b>Mot: Mindy Stoess</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup>: Danny Bale</b>	Motion passed with no objections
<b>PEER SUPPORT CLINICIAN CONTRACT</b>	Working on getting a peer support team started. We need to assign a clinician. We reached out to Anchorage Middletown regarding their clinician and he is someone our people know. He charges \$150/hr and bills as people use him by the month. He does quarterly trainings and will also do sessions for spouses.  The contract was approved with a correction in the station name.	<b>Mot: Troy Newkirk</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup>: Danny Bale</b>	Motion passed with no objections.
<b>ICS EXCESS (RESERVE)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rate Drop from 3.59% to 3.34% with Republic Bank</li> <li>• Opening ICS Account at Eclipse Bank 3.5%</li> <li>• Transfer Reserve Funds to Eclipse</li> <li>• Approval of Signatures</li> </ul>	Wes from Eclipse Bank reached out and the rate drop on the ICS accounts and has offered a 3.45% interest rate for 6 months. Do we want to move our accounts to take advantage of this higher rate?	<b>Tabled until the November meeting</b>	

<b>COMMITTEE &amp; OTHER REPORTS</b>			
<b>BUILDING/GROUNDS</b>  ○ <b>Tree Quotes</b>           ○ <b>Front Offices &amp; Board Room Remodel</b>	<p>The building has been painted. The gym door will be replaced October 21<sup>st</sup> and will be painted to match.</p> <p>We still have a tree blocking where we want to build another building. The Lions Club have agreed for us to cut down the tree. We have received 2 quotes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tommy McWilliams - \$9850 (remove tree and stump with complete clean up)</li> <li>○ Big R Tree Service - \$11500 (remove tree and stump)</li> </ul> <p>We need something in writing from the Lions Club that they have given us permission to remove the tree with a signature from someone with authority.</p> <p>A motion was made to have the tree cut down with an approval letter</p> <p>Discussion on renovating the front offices and the boardroom. Josh will bring quotes to the November meeting.</p>	<b>Mot: Danny Bale</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup>: Greg Longacre</b>	Motion passed with no objections
<b>FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE</b>	It's fire prevention month and many of the crews have been going to the schools, educating the kids on fire safety.	<b>Informational</b>	Informational
<b>TRAINING OFFICE/SOG COMMITTEE</b>	<p>The steps are in. Padgett will come back in to add 2 more pillars because the steps are a little bouncy.</p> <p>Incident Command will be a part of our SOGs.</p>	<b>Informational</b>	Informational
<b>TRUCK COMMITTEE</b>	Still being built. Looking for November/December	<b>Informational</b>	Informational
	Information only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awards Banquet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ December 5<sup>th</sup> 1700 – 2200</li> <li>○ Tavern on Fourth (427 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street in 4<sup>th</sup> Street Live)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The education benefit will be coming next month.</p>		
<b>MOTION TO ADJOURN</b>		<b>Motion: Rick Johnstone</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup>: Greg Longacre</b>	

Respectfully submitted,

SCOTT CLARK  
Secretary of the Board