

Fern Creek Fire Protection District Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes December 9, 2024

In order to provide the highest level of public access, the Fern Creek Fire Protection District, in accordance with KRS 61.826 and recent Kentucky Supreme Court rulings, is providing access to all members of the public, both at a physical location at 4101 Bardstown Road, as well as via a video teleconference which can be accessed as presented on our website, www.FernCreekFire.com. It is understood that any board member attending via video teleconference must be able to be seen and heard, and in the event that there is a technology issue, provided a quorum remains, that Trustee(s) will be able to attend the meeting, but may not vote until audio and video are reestablished. If enough Trustees are unable to vote due to remote technology issues such that a quorum no longer remains, the meeting will be adjourned.

Monthly BOT Meeting Video Teleconference

The following Microsoft Teams link has been provided for those not able to or those choosing not to attend in person:

[Click here to join the meeting](#) (Recurring Meeting Link)

Meeting ID: 272 252 133 378

Passcode: 5TsKFn

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A meeting invitation was sent to each individual Board Member via Microsoft Teams and notice to the public was provided via posting at Station #61, Station #65, and also on our website.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ott at 4:00 p.m.

Board Members present: Henry Ott, Larry Ash, Kenny Craigmyle, Tracy Deloch, Scott Cundiff, Eric Brown, and Robert Thompson, (who attended virtually and was seen and heard at all times as required).

Guests present: Chief Mulvey, Deputy Chief Evans, Deputy Chief Early, Assistant Chief Dwyer, Assistant Chief Recktenwald, Assistant Chief Hutchens, Major Elstone, Major Hampton, Major Fife, Major Lawton, Attorney Leach, James Sebastian, and Joyce Shelton. Additional members were present from P-3 duty crews, off duty members, and members attended virtually.

Motion Brown, 2nd Ash to approve the November Minutes as presented. MC unanimously.

The November Financials were distributed prior to the meeting and reviewed.

Motion Ash, 2nd Thompson to approve the November Financials. MC unanimously.

Announcements & Correspondence

- Current bank statements are available for review.
- Denton Group November report: *See reports for details.*

Old Business

Update on the St. #73 expansion (former Highview #73 on Cedar Creek Road).

- Projected completion date remains as July 2025.
- Permit for MSD work has been paid for.

Update was given for ambulances: Both Hortons are back in service; Braun is in process of painting and decaling with inspection scheduled for December 13; and the ambulance that was rear ended is still in the repair process.

Performance Evaluation is still pending and requested to remain on the monthly agendas.

Chief and Committee Reports

Chief Mulvey:

Chief's Report – *See full report for details.* Items noted: Chief Mulvey requested an Executive Session to discuss a possible litigation (to be addressed in 'New Business'; and there is a vacancy in Fire Prevention due to Fire Inspector Snyder being temporarily assigned to the Drill School, which begins in January, with options for coverage being explored.

Chief Officers:

Deputy Chief Evans – Note: 'Santa in the District' dates in Chief's Report; Family Christmas With Santa on December 15; and Members Christmas Breakfast on December 20.

Deputy Chief Early – 'The Red Book' (Instructor's Manual) has been created and still a work in progress in preparation for the upcoming Drill School.

Assistant Chiefs and Majors in attendance: No Report.

New Business

Motion Thompson, 2nd Brown to approve the Terms and Conditions from Forcht Bank for financing the St. #73 expansion as presented. MC unanimously.

Motion Ash, 2nd Cundiff to adopt Borrower Resolution 2024-1209 as provided in the Terms and Conditions of Forcht Bank as presented. MC unanimously.

Motion Craigmyle, 2nd Brown to purchase a replacement diesel engine for Apparatus Engine #165 (2013) which experienced a 'catastrophic fail' with authorization of the approval for the purchase to be from the Fund Balance if the expense is not covered in the Vehicle Expense account, due to the purchase itself not budgeted. MC unanimously.

Chief Mulvey announced his retirement from Fern Creek Fire Protection District effective July 31, 2025 and read his official Letter of Retirement. Members of the Board expressed their gratitude to the Chief for his commitment and dedication to the department and community during his years of service.

At 4:28, Motion Ash, 2nd Deloch to go into Executive Session to discuss:

- A potential legal matter.
- Chief Mulvey's Retirement announcement.

MC unanimously.

At 5:27, Motion Brown, 2nd Deloch to come out of Executive Session and resume Open Meeting.
MC unanimously.

Chairman Ott stated that there was no action taken in the Executive Session that addressed a potential legal matter and a personnel matter.

Chairman Ott requested the scheduling of a Special Meeting at 4:00 on Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at St. #65 to appoint a possible Chief. All BOT Members were in agreement with the meeting time and purpose.

Adjournment

Motion Ash, 2nd Brown to adjourn at 5:28 p.m. MC unanimously.



Larry Ash, Secretary



Joyce Shelton, Recording Secretary