

Minutes of December 17, 2009  
Lake Country Fire & Rescue Board Meeting  
Chenequa – Delafield – Nashotah  
Fire Station #1  
N44 W32787 Rasmus Road, Nashotah

1. Meeting call to order, Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 5:59pm by President Stotts.

2. Roll Call

Present were President Rod Stotts, Vice President Gordon Gunnlaugsson, board members Susan Wilkey, Gerald MacDougall and Theresa Urbanchek. Also present was Delafield City Administrator Tim Schuenke, Fire Chief Edwards, Fire Chief Hagemann, Acting Secretary/Treasurer Rosch. Absent were Jeff Krickhahn and Secretary/Treasurer Stefanski.

3. Public Comments

None

4. Approval of minutes of the December 3, 2009 meeting

Motion by MacDougall to approve the December 3, 2009 meeting minutes, seconded by Urbanchek. Wilkey abstained. All ayes, motion carried.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding the denial of application to join the Wisconsin Retirement System and planned appeal to the Social Security Administration Chicago Office.

Review of events to current given by Attorney de la Mora. Promised follow-up from last conference call by Jean Gilding regarding meeting with SSA was not done. Attorney Polinske requested the list of documentation that was sent to the SSA for review. The documents included the Lake Country Fire & Rescue Agreement, cover letter with Resolution and the Denial Letter dated 11-30-09 from WRS. Office of de la Mora has been focused on the drafting of an agreement to lease City of Delafield employees to Lake Country Fire & Rescue to preserve their benefits until this matter can be resolved. Tim Schuenke wrote a letter to WI League of Municipalities, Chief Edwards had spoken with retiring Fire Chief Anderson from Chippewa Fire Department regarding their experience which sounds very similar to LCFR. Several other contacts have been made with local government officials, Congressman Sensenbrenner, Senator Kedzie and Representative Newcomber. Communication was to be shared with these offices. Jack was to communicate with other Fire Chiefs through his email tree alerting them to current problems with merged department and recognition by the WRS. Discussed possibility of involving more media resources.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding lease/loan or assignment of City of Delafield employees to Lake Country Fire & rescue

Schuenke, Chief Edwards, Stotts and Mr. Tweedle from R & R Insurance met this morning to discuss the leasing or loaning of City employees to LCFR and how it would impact insurance coverage policies. It was felt we could proceed with the arrangement as no additional exposure

for the City was identified and the LCFR would reimburse any expenses incurred by the City to maintain this arrangement.

Motion made by Gunnlaugsson to approve agreement as written with expectations that details of compensation benefits to loaned employees will be provided in an amendment for approval by this board at its next meeting. Motion seconded by MacDougall. All ayes, motion carried.

7. Discussion and possible action regarding Inter-Facility Transport Agreement with Oconomowoc Memorial Hospital

Brief comments from Attorney de la Mora supporting the final contract. Motion by Wilkey to accept the Interfacility Agreement with Oconomowoc Memorial Hospital as written was seconded by Urbanchek. All ayes, motion carried.

8. Discussion and possible action regarding PARS study by Gunnlaugsson

Gunnlaugsson gave a brief overview of the an old PARS study that compared 6 Waukesha County fire departments. It was suggested we contact the PAR group again to see what the cost would be to re-do the study. Discussion of establishing a group to gather information and review pay scales resulted in appointment of Gunnlaugsson and MacDougall to committee by President Stotts. They would like data to be available by mid 2010. They will report back after their first meeting.

9. Discussion and possible action on the merger timeline

Timeline changes were reviewed. No news regarding Medicare application process as it is early in the process, Payroll and benefits are being reviewed again with recent possibility of leasing City of Delafield employees, R & R Insurance policies for CDFR are being reviewed again based on new pricing obtained for replacement value of vehicles and work comp rates if employees are contracted, ADPI Billing Contract is signed and has been sent back to ADPI.

10. Chief's Report

Chief Edwards stated the last of three informational meetings was completed this week with a lot of good questions. Uniforms shirts will be available for the staff in late December. Discussion on the numbering of fire stations with recommendation of the numbering to be: Station #1-City of Delafield, Station #2-Nashotah, Station #3-Chenequa.

11. Date of next meeting.

Next meeting scheduled for 6pm on Thursday, January 7, 2010.

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Uranchek and seconded by Wilkey at 8:07pm.  
All ayes, motion carried.

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Respectfully submitted by Sandy Rosch, Acting Secretary/Treasurer