

# Waunakee Area Fire District Minutes

## October 28, 2013

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Waunakee Area Fire District was called to Order by Chairman Jim Pulvermacher. Roll Call showed Present: Jim Pulvermacher, Terry Enge, Susan Springman, Gary Endres, Gary Walden, Chief Gary Acker, Assistant Chief Dave Kopp, Captain Mike Helt, Secretary Randy Meffert and Inspector Brian Adler.

A motion was made by Gary Endres and second by Terry Enge to approve the Minutes of the September Meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Susan Springman and second by Gary Walden to approve the Bills of the September Meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

**Old Business:** Chairman Jim Pulvermacher had nothing new to report on the New Dane Comm System. Their next scheduled meeting is suppose to be in late January or early February. He also shared that no one can explain the accelerated maintenance fee schedule costs and why it escalates.

The Emergency Operating Plan (EOP) has had no new progress to report. No one has been hired yet as a third party facilitator/consultant. The department is waiting on the new DaneComm System to understand protocol for reprogramming and installing the new trunking boards (WisComm) to better understand programming and related costs.

The 2014 Fire District budget was approve on a motion from Susan Springman and second from Gary Endres. The motion was carried unanimously.

Secretary Meffert presented the LOSAP/SAP checkbook balance and 2013 activity summary as well as future Fire District liabilities to the SAP program. Back filling qualified members Personal Retirement Accounts over the next 4+ years.

**New Business:** Chief Acker discussed the new Peaceful Valley Rd corridor, from Woodland Dr to Hwy Q. His concern was road construction "pinch points" were not shown or discussed at previous tech meetings with staff and that this and other changes are being made without consulting. "It has become a disappointing process" (which includes street name changes), said Chief Acker, when contractors just choose to do what they want and do not take into consideration comments and suggestions made by Tech staff. The round-a-bout type circles at West Bridge is an example of a recommendation of a "soft curb" center curb be used instead of a faced curb (which were installed). It was recommended that Village President John Laubmeier intervene to see what the issues are. (Tabled)

Department Car #4 (inspector's vehicle) replacement was discussed. The current Chevrolet S-10 vehicle is over 11 years old and is starting to have mechanical issues that have and will cost the Fire District down the road. It is was recommended by Chief Acker to start looking at replacing this vehicle. The Department would like to spec a full sized pickup vs. a mini pickup truck. We would like to have a 4 door vehicle for hauling more people if needed. The District Board members were open and understanding of the recommendation of replacing the truck and asked for a preliminary design and budget for the new vehicle and asked to have its use (both current and future) defined as well. Chief Acker will put a committee together and spec out a truck and report back at next month's meeting. Inspector Adler gave the Board a recap of recent fire calls activities and reported that he will be attending the annual Fire Inspector's Conference. Next Meeting, November 25th, 2013.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Terry Enge and second by Gary Endres to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Meffert, Secretary  
Waunakee Area Fire District