

Waunakee Area Fire District Board Meeting Minutes

March 30, 2015

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

Minutes: *A motion was made by Gary Endres and second by Susan Springman, to approve the Minutes of the February Meeting as submitted. Motion carried.*

Bills: *A motion was made by Susan Springman and second by Gary Endres to approve the March Bills as submitted. Motion carried.*

Old Business: **(DaneComm)** *Jim Pulvermacher reported that there have been no significant developments with Dane Comm, however, the Townships Associations did meet with the County Executive's office in mid-March and discussed Harris Communications change order of \$7.2MM to add additional towers and equipment to cover the issues. He said they are working on a solution but not communicating very well. The County Executive's office is not very happy about it either. The delay in go-live may be up to a year and one half delay. (ATV/UTV) Discussion to recap where the District was at with the proposed purchase of a new ATV/UTV rescue vehicle with a trailer and associated equipment. Secretary Meffert read e-mail messages from absent Board members (Enge and Walden) on their position with regards to purchasing the proposed equipment. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Susan Springman and second by Gary Endres, to proceed with the purchase of a new ATV/UTV, trailer and associated equipment with a budget of not to exceed of \$45,000.00. The motion carried. The department will write for an Endres Mfg. Co. Foundation Charitable Grant to possibly cover so of the trailer costs (\$2-4,000).*
(Radios) *Mike Helt reported that while the new Dane Com Communication Center go live may still be over a year out before implementation, the department cannot wait that long and an opportunity was before the Board to purchase 26 new P25 compliant radios. The Department's old radios did not have trunking capabilities and would cost \$600/each to update plus many needed new batteries at \$100 each. The radio reception, because of Dane Com's new configuration, has been poor, and we cannot access our new radio frequency with the old radios. The department received a quote to replace the existing (old) radios for \$1700.00/ea. plus they would give us trade-in money for our old radios. The new radios would have all the functionality the department need, unfortunately the offer from the radio supplier was only good until March 31st. After a brief discussion, and knowing that budget monies have been set aside for this day, a motion was made by Sue Springman and second by Gary Endres to proceed with the purchase of 26 new radios as presented. Motion carried.*

New Business: **Fire Inspector's Report** - *Inspector Adler recapped the February fire calls for the Board. District Board members are invited to the department's Annual Party, April 11th, starting at 6:00 pm. Next month's meeting will be the election of Fire District Board Officers, Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.*

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

Respectfully Submitted,

*Randy Meffert,
Secretary/Treasurer Waunakee Fire District*