

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES OF THE
GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
FLOYD COUNTY, INDIANA

This special meeting of the Board of Fire Trustees of the Georgetown Township Fire Protection District, Floyd County, Indiana was held at 5610 Corydon Ridge Road, Georgetown, in Floyd County, Indiana, on March 14, 2022, at the hour of 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was also a virtual meeting pursuant to Indiana Code § 5-14-1.5-3.5 to allow certain members of the Board of Fire Trustees to utilize electronic means of communication to be considered present and participate in final actions. The public was also able to join the meeting virtually using a link or dial-in phone number included in the meeting notice.

Mr. Moody, Chairman, called the meeting to order and the minutes of the meeting were recorded by Mr. Ringenberg, Vice Chairman, in the absence of Ms. Brodfuehrer who normally assists with the preparation of the minutes.

On roll call, the members of the Board of Fire Trustees were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Physically Present: Michael Moody, Jr., Mark Ringenberg, Gary Kleeman, and Geoff McNulty.

Participating Remotely: Travis Sharp and Matthew Mills.

Each of the foregoing members participated via GoToMeeting, which was broadcast in real-time simultaneous with the meeting via video screen at the meeting.

Absent: Ed Thomas

Fire Chief Bill Banta, Deputy Chief Ned Wiseman and other members of the Fire Department were also in attendance, along with the Board's attorney, Keith Pulliam.

Update on Fire Station No. 1 Remodel Project. Chief Banta gave the Board an update with respect to the status of the design-build project previously approved by the Board. Chief Banta noted that there had been a refinement to the scope of the project as it was discovered that the existing water line supplying Station No. 1 is inadequate to supply a sprinkler system, which was a required component of the bid. In order to upgrade the existing 2" water line to a 6" water line that would be needed, it was estimated that there would be an increased cost of approximately \$125,000 replacing with a monitored alarm system option. Chief stated that the technical review committee has reviewed the refinement and recommended dropping that option as a requirement from the bid package for an adjusted net price not to exceed \$65,000.

Mr. Ringenberg made a motion to approve the refinement of the scope of the project as recommended by Chief and the technical review committee, which was seconded by Mr. McNulty, and after discussion passed 5-0.

Chief Banta advised the Board that AML Inc. general contractors, the selected design builder, was prepared to move forward with permitting once the Board approved the final form of the contract. Mr. Pulliam stated had been involved in ongoing negotiations over the contract terms and that he had made revisions to the contract that were ultimately acceptable by AML, provided that AML's attorney had further revised the agreement to include a revised force majeure clause and a corresponding price escalation clause upon the occurrence of such an event. Mr. Pulliam advised the Board that such a request appeared reasonable in the current construction climate.

Mr. Ringenberg made a motion to approve the final negotiated contract terms refinement of the scope of the project as recommended by Chief and the technical review committee, which was seconded by Mr. Kleeman, and after discussion passed 5-0. Mr. Sharp was not visible during the meeting so his yes vote was noted, but not counted per the rules related to virtual meetings.

Mr. Pulliam then asked the Board to ratify its prior actions with respect to the appointment of the technical review committee, currently consisting of Mr. Ringenberg, Chief Banta, and Rick Vangilder (an electrical contractor and licensed electrician), its issuance of request for proposals, publication of notice for bids, its rating and scoring of the proposals received, and its recommendation to accept the design-build proposal from AML that was ultimately selected and approved by the Board. Chief mentioned that the technical review committee had received preliminary assistance and input from Mr. McNulty and Mr. Kleeman, as well as a former employee of Koetter Construction in developing the initial criteria for proposals. Chief Banta gave an overview of the process and selection and advised the Board that the technical review committee had reviewed all items.

Mr. McNulty made a motion to ratify the Board's and the technical review committee's prior actions with respect to the design build project, which was seconded by Mr. Kleeman, and after discussion passed 5-0. Mr. Sharp was not visible during the meeting so his yes vote was noted, but not counted per the rules related to virtual meetings.

Next Meeting. The next regular meeting of the Board will be on April 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Ringenberg made a motion to adjourn, which passed unanimously, at _____ p.m.

Copies of the agenda, and any public documents discussed at the meeting are available for inspection by the public at District Headquarters.

Approved by: _____
Mark Ringenberg, Vice Chairman

Attested by: _____
Michael Moody, Jr., Chairman