

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 27, 2023

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:05. JOHN BOTTOMS (TREASURER), PHILIP CANTEBURY (BOARD MEMBER), MIKE ENGEL) CHAIRMAN, TONY ROY (SECRETARY) HERE. JOHN HINSON (VICE CHAIRMAN) ABSENT. WE HAVE ENOUGH FOR A QUAREM.

THE PLEGIENANCE WAS LED BY MIKE ENGEL AND PRAYER WAS LED BY JEFFERSON SWEET.

TREASURY REPORT WAS READ BY JOHN BOTTOMS. TONY ROY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURY REPORT AS READ 2<sup>ND</sup> BY PHILIP CANTEBURY. DISCUSSION. BILLS THAT WERE COMING DUE. THEN THERE WAS A WORKERS COMP. BILL. PUBLIC COMMENT. PHILIP CANTEBURY SR COMMENTED AND ROGER ROY COMMENTED. MOTION PASSES. ALSO HAD A GO FUND ME PAGE AND HAVE ABOUT \$1,200.00 OR MORE IN IT.

SECRETARY REPORT READ BY TONY ROY. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SECRETARY REPORT MADE BY JOHN BOTTOMS 2<sup>ND</sup> BY PHILIP CANTEBURY. PUBLIC COMMENT RANDI LIGHTNER COMMENTED. ROGER ROY THE ONLY WAY TO GET THE WORKERS COMP TO GO THROUGH WAS TO DROP ALL INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS. TONY ROY MADE COMMENT. MOTION PASSES.

OLD BUSINESS:

VICE CHAIR UNILATERAL LETTER AND MEETINGS WITH THE COUNTY WORKERS COMPENSATION

VICE CHAIR HAS BEEN ABSENT FOR AT LEAST 3 MEETINGS. HE HAS TO MISS 3 REGULAR MEETING WHICH WOULD BE THE 1<sup>ST</sup> MEETING OF EACH MONTH FOR HIM TO MISS. THEN THERE IS CAUSE BUT YOU DON'T HAVE THAT YOU DON'T HAVE THAT ON THE AGENDA FOR TONIGHT. RANDI LIGHTNER MADE A COMMENT REGARDING THE VICE CHAIRMAN POSITION. MR. CANTEBURY SR. MADE A REMARK TO THIS AS WELL. MR. GIANNOTTI ALSO MENTIONED MR. HINSON NOT BEING AT THE COMMITTEE MEETING THAT HE IS SUPPOSED TO BE AT EVERY 3 MONTHS.

OPPAGA JAMES ODOM, WE HAVE ADDRESSED JUST ABOUT ALL OF THE QUESTIONS IN THE REPORT. WE HAVE A GROUP WORKING GROUP TO WORK ON THE OPPAGA QUESTIONS. IF YOU ARE FIRE 1, YOU ARE A LOUD TO ENTER THE HOT ZONE OF A FIRE WITHOUT A FIRE 2 PRESENT. IF IT WOULD BE ALRIGHT WITH EVERYBODY, I WOULD LIKE TO WORK FROM THE BOYSCOUT CAMPGROUND AS I (JAMES ODOM) HAVE A LOT GOING ON OVER THERE AND NOT ABLE TO LEAVE FOR A LENGTH OF TIME. SO, WE WILL DO 5:00 P.M TO 7:00 P.M. THE ONLY THING THAT WE ARE NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH IS THE WEBSITE WITH OPPAGA. WEBSITE WAS FILED WITH THE STATE. AND THE BUDGET WAS FILE WITH THE COUNTY. MIKE WENT TO FILE IT WITH THE CLERK OF COURTS. THEY WERE CLOSED ON TUESDAY. HE WENT TO RECORDS. MIKE IS UNSURE TO WHERE TO LOOK ONLINE TO SEE IF IT HAD BEEN RECORDED. ACCORDING TO OPPAGA WE ARE NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE WEBSITE ALONG WITH OUR BY-LAWS. ACCORDING TO JAMES ODOM WE ARE 75 TO 85 PERCENT DONE. YOU CAN ONLY HAVE ONE COMMISSONER AT A MEETING AT A TIME. SEND ONE OR TWO AT A TIME TO OPPAGA BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE A LOT OF TIME BEFORE THEY COME BACK INTO SESSION (LAWYER SPEAKING).

BY-LAWS HAVE BEEN SENT TO EACH OF THE BOARD MEMBERS SO THAT YOU CAN READ THEM AND THAT WE CAN DISCUSS AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING. EACH BOARD MEMBER RECEIVED THEM INDIVIDUALLY SO THAT YOU WOULDN'T BREAK THE SUNSHINE LAW. AND IF ANY OF YOU THINK THERE SHOULD BE ANY CHANGES THEN I CAN IMPLEMENT THEM AND WE CAN VOTE ON THEM AT THE NEXT MEETING.

PROCUREMENT POLICY--IF THE 2012 POLICY IS SUFFICIENT THEN THERE MIGHT NOT BE A REASON TO CHANGE IT. AND IF IT MEETS FEDERAL AND STATE GUIDELINES YOU MIGHT WANT TO STICK WITH WHAT YOU HAVE. WE WILL HAVE THAT ON THE AGENDA AS WELL EITHER READOPTING OR ADOPTING A NEW POLICY. PHILIP CANTEBURY ASKED THE ATTORNEY ABOUT FORM 6. SHE SAID SHE WOULD LOOK INTO IT. IF SOMEONE CAN'T VOTE ON SOMETHING THEN THEY HAVE TO FILL OUT THE FORM AND SIGN IT AND IT HAS TO BE IN THE MINUTES.

TONY ROY MADE A MOTION TO HAVE OUR NEXT MEETING ON JANUARY 9, 2024, AT OUR SOUTH STATION 2<sup>ND</sup> BY PHILIP CANTEBURY. 3 AYE 0 NAYS VOTE PASSES.

#### NEW BUSINESS

AMERIS BANK THE MONEY WAS NOT LOST. THE ACCOUNTS WERE CLOSED OUT AND AMERIS BANK SENT OUT THE NOTICE. PHILIP CANTEBURY MADE A MOTION TO RATIFY THE IMPACT FEES AND THE COUNTY FUNDS ACCOUNTS TONY ROY 2<sup>ND</sup> VOTE 3 AYES 0 NAYS MOTION PASSES.

ROGER ROY SPOKE WITH ARGYLE ABOUT THEIR WEBSITE AND SPOKE WITH THEIR PERSON WHO DOES THEIR WEBSITE. HE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE HERE TONIGHT AND DIDN'T SHOW UP. ROGER SUGGESTS THAT WE PRESS ON AND MAYBE USE THE WEBSITE THAT JAMES ODOM FOUND FOR \$1800.00. TONY ROY MADE A THAT WE ALLOW THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO MAKE THAT DECISION TO MAKE THAT DECISION UP TO \$1800.00. JOHN BOTTOMS 2<sup>ND</sup> MOTION PASSES.

MSBU SHOULD BE EVERY 2 WEEKS.

FEMA – DONNA WILL WORK ON GETTING THE BANK CHANGED.

TRUCK PAYMENT WE NEED TO SEE ABOUT GETTING SOMETHING DONE ABOUT THAT. INSTEAD OF TAKING A PAYMENT TO AMERIS BANK. MIKE ENGEL CAN GO AND GET THE INFORMATION ON THE ACH INFORMATION AND THEN LET JOHN BOTTOMS KNOW IF THEY NEED 2 SIGNATURES.

TONY ROY MADE A MOTION THAT [libertyfire911.com](http://libertyfire911.com) IS THE OFFICIAL MEDIA FOR THE LIBERTY FIRE DISTRICT AND THE ONLY ONE RECONGNIZED BY THE BOARD. THE WEBSITE AND DOMAIN NAME IS THE ONLY OFFICIAL HOSTING FOR LIBERTY FIRE DISTRICT. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY PHILIP CANTEBURY. ALL AYES.

FIRE CHIEF—JOHN HINSON TURNED IN THE ATTACK TRUCK BUT NO KEY. WE HAVE THE ATV BACK. THE BOARD SUGGESTS YOU HAVE A DEPUTY WITH YOU.

WHEN WORKING ON THE AGENDA, SEND IT TO THE ATTORNEY OR DONNA TO BE SENT INDIVIDUALLY TO THE BOARD.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

JOHN BOTTOMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING 2<sup>ND</sup> BY TONY ROY MOTION PASSED.