

***LODI AREA FIRE DISTRICT
FIRE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2024***

MEETING DATE, TIME & LOCATION: The LAFD Fire Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at the Lodi Area Fire Department, located at 115 N. Main St. Lodi, WI 53555.

MEETING MINUTES

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** Fire Commission President Nick Cable called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL** The roll was called and the following Fire Commission members were present: Cable, Strasser, Davies, Lendved. Kurt and Kessler were absent. Sievers was also present. Fire Chief A quorum of the Fire Commission was present. City of Lodi Mayor Groves Lloyd and Town of Lodi Chair Steve Neander.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA / AGENDA REPAIR / CERTIFICATION OF POSTING** The agenda had been properly posted at the assigned locations. Moved by Strasser; Seconded by Lendved to approve the agenda posted. Motion carried.
4. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** February 21, 2024. Moved by Strasser; Seconded by Davies to approve the minutes as distributed. Motion carried.
5. **CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA TOPICS** There were no citizen appearances on any non-agenda topic.
6. **BUILDING NEEDS ASSESMENT AND PRELIMINARY PLANNING - Possible contribution by LAFD toward consultant for professional services**
 - a. Both Mayor Groves and Chair Neander expressed some concerns about the Keller documents that were supplied to the Fire Commission. Namely, milestones that were checked as complete but really were not.
 - b. Another concern was if the documents were signed and Keller did complete the preliminary documents and there was a discussion after reviewing the documents to NOT continue using Keller, Keller owed the preliminary documents, and we could not use the information gained from the documents.
 - c. Mayor Groves expressed the need to do a full assessment of the needs of the Police department and the EMS department like what was done for the Fire department 5 years ago.
 - d. All 3 municipalities tabled approving Keller's proposal.
 - e. It was mentioned that there may need to revisions to the LAFD IGA in the future in regards to the Nem building.
7. **UPDATE ON NEW FIRE DEPARTMENT SITE NEGOTIATIONS**
 - a. Mayor Groves met with the Land owners and talked over purchasing the land south of Hwy J.
 - b. Mayor Groves also mentioned that they are still working on getting more infrastructure bids for this project.
 - c. Mayor Groves also mentioned that they were starting to fill out paperwork to apply for a grant with Senator Baldwin office for monies to go towards the building of the Safety building.

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8. **INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT – UPDATE** No updates at this time

9. **ROOF REPAIR STATUS AND POTENTIAL APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE** Chief Sievers comment that it is difficult to get quotes. Currently, he was 3 quote in hand that range from \$30,000 to \$60,000. Chief said that they haven't had any water coming into the south end of the building since the ice dams have melted.

10. **FIRE CHIEF REPORT** Fire Chief Sievers presented his monthly report which had been distributed and is hereby incorporated into the minutes.

11. **TREASURER:**
 - a. **Approval for payment of bills** Motion by Lendved; Seconded by Davies that payment of the bills as presented be approved.
 - b. **Financial reports** The monthly financial reports had been distributed electronically.

12. **OTHER QUESTIONS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS** No additional questions from the Commission members were presented.

13. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** Above Items 1 – 5, 7 – 14 and the addition of "Election of Officers".

14. **ADJOURN** Mover by Lendved; Seconded by Strasser to adjourn. The motion carried. The Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM.