SMITHVILLE AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
January 27, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Smithville Area Fire Protection District was called to order by Chairman Jason Ekis at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Jason Ekis, Clifford Grindel, Brian Laybourne, and Ryan Larson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

REVIEW PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES:

The minutes of the December 16, 2025 regular meeting were approved with no changes and without objection.

The minutes of the December 16, 2025 closed session meeting were approved with no changes and without objection.

The minutes of the January 14, 2026 special meeting were approved with no changes and without objection.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report for December, 2025 will be filed for audit with no changes and without objection.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Cline provided the Chief's report.

December had 6 fire incidents, 79 medical emergencies, 6 motor vehicles accidents, 4 hazardous conditions, 20 service calls, 19 good intents, and 12 false alarms. Total of 145 for the month; 1,624 for the year, which is five runs more than in 2024.

Community risk reduction. 6 PR events, 3 inspections, 8 permits issued.

Personnel completed 109.75 hours of training in December.

Maintenance. Oil changed in all apparatus and vehicles. Only ongoing issue is intermittent problems with the floor heat at Station #3.

Administration. Scheduling one-on-one meetings with the captains on a monthly basis.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. CONSIDER SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Chief Cline provides information and answers questions from the Board.

J. Ekis makes a motion to take the recommendation of the sale of the surplus boat. C. Grindel seconded. Roll call vote: B. Laybourne, yes. C. Grindel, yes. R. Larson, yes. J. Ekis, yes. Motion carried.

2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INITIATING CHANGE TO RETIREMENT BENEFIT PROGRAM

Chief Cline provides information and answers questions from the Board.

J. Ekis makes a motion to move on the initiation to change the LAGERS retirement program from L7 to L6 as spoken about in the contract. R. Larson seconded. Roll call vote: B. Laybourne, yes. C. Grindel, yes. R. Larson, yes. J. Ekis, yes. Motion carried.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED:

J. Ekis made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion was seconded by R. Larson. Roll call vote: B. Laybourne, yes. C. Grindel, yes. R. Larson, yes. J. Ekis, yes. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully,

/s/ Liebe Stevenson
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LIEBE STEVENSON, C.C.R #1340

The meeting minutes were written by Liebe Stevenson, under the authority of the Board of Directors. These minutes are not official until read, approved and signed by a member of the Board.

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Ryan Larson, Secretary Date