



WESTERN COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT
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Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday, March 2, 2023 7:00 P.M.
This meeting will be in person.

OFFICIAL MINUTES

(Agenda Posted February 28, 2023)

Minutes posted March 13, 2023

<i>Members Present</i>	Sandy Mann (treasurer)
Steve Bousquet, Chairman	Skip Mays (moderator)
Robert Taylor	Chief Cady
Richard Holt	Mariann Gardener (clerk)
Ken Jackson	Jillian Proulx

1. ***Call to Order and Attendance.***

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

2. ***Emergency evacuation procedure announcement.***

The Chair announced the emergency evacuation procedure.

3. ***Confirmation of required meeting posting and quorum.***

The Chair confirmed the meeting was posted in all locations and that a quorum was present.

4. ***Acceptance of the February 16, 2023 meeting minutes. ****

A motion is made by Mr. Holt and second by Mr. Taylor to accept the February 16, 2023 Minutes.

All in Favor. All voted Aye

Steve Bousquet Aye

Richard Holt Aye

Robert Taylor Aye

5. ***Update on Fire District Consolidation Meeting.***

Mr. Bousquet noted there is nothing new to report. The next consolidation meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2023.

6. ***Update on Charter and By-law changes.***

Mr. Bousquet had a discussion with Attorney Harsch. Mr. Harsch will provide feedback on the changes and Mr. Bousquet will share this information with the board.

Attorney Harsch will present the charter to the state after WCFD taxpayer approval. Mr. Holt noted several changes to include and update. Specifically: he recommends a BOD candidate up for re-election would have their term extend to the actual annual meeting date, the Capital Equipment Fund is incorrectly defined, and the (clerk, tax collector and treasurer) should serve at the “direction” and pleasure of the Board, the district officials are “appointed” by the BOD.

7. 2023-2024 Budget preparation work and preparation

The following accounts were discussed: Health Care and Compensation, 67000, 6100, 61500, 68500, 68600, 69000, 74000, 74005, and 76000.

Mr. Holt expressed continued concern with the inadequacy of the Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund. Mr. Bousquet will designate a committee to explore this.

8. Open Forum. None

9. Schedule next B.O.D. Meeting.

The next regularly scheduled BOD meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2023 at 7 pm.

10. Adjournment. *

A motion is made by Mr. Holt and second by Mr. Jackson to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 pm.

All in favor. All voted aye.	
Steve Bousquet	Aye
Richard Holt	Aye
Robert Taylor	Aye
Ken Jackson	Aye

*Votes may be taken

Board of Directors

Stephen Bousquet, Richard Holt, Ken Jackson,
Rev. Dr. Reppa Cottrell, Robert Taylor

District Officers

WCS Mays III – Moderator, Joan Smith – Tax
Collector, Sandra Mann -Treasurer, Mariann
Gardener – Clerk

Chief

James Cady

2023 Regularly Scheduled Meetings

19 Jan, 16 Feb, 16 Mar, 20 Apr, 18 May, 15 Jun, 20 Jul, 17 Aug, 21 Sep, 19 Oct, 16 Nov,
21 Dec.