## **Board of Fire Commissioners**

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## Special Meeting - July 26, 2023

Special meeting to discuss ER/ESO software system began at 6:04 PM.

<u>Present were</u>: Commissioners Ellsworth, Hays, Ramsey, DA/Treas. Petkus, D/P Olson; Commissioner Ramsey and D/C E. Petkus arrived later.

Lt. C. Krueger gave a lengthy presentation on the new ESO software system, noting the following:

- Info packets handed out that include questions/answers from ESO as well as a quote.
- Quote amount is \$20,020.00, broken down as follows:
  - o Recurring Fees: \$18,235.00
  - o One-Time Fees: \$5,130.00

Currently the district is paying \$2,228 annually for ER.

- ER software was purchased by ESO; as of now ER will not be taken away until probably 2025 when NFIRS changes and ER is no longer usable.
- Commissioner Ellsworth asked if anyone has contacted either Ed Tremblay or Mike McEvoy as they have been talking about it at the County level for some time now. Lt. Kreuger noted he has been speaking with Mike Stanley to make sure the CAD is going to communicate. ESO also indicated to him that the CAD company the County uses is their best to work with.
- Commissioner Ellsworth questioned that we had previously piggybacked off SSFD; Joyce noted no, SSFD was already using ER when she started doing research on other vendors, and the decision to go to ER was based on reaching out to other departments and getting their opinions on the systems they were using as well as what we needed. Lt. Krueger added that what he has been told is that they are moving towards ESO, as well as Mechanicville.
- · Reviewed Incident data entry in detail.
- Has questions on running incident reports but has not gotten an answer yet, and he has not been able to figure it out as of now.
- D/C Petkus questioned if the past incidents will be transferred to the new system. Lt. Krueger noted he will check on that.
- Reviewed Properties, which is where pre-plans would be input, but IAR also has preplans.
- D/C Petkus questioned if all the information currently in ER can be migrated over to ESO; it was noted yes, ESO will do the migration and both ER and ESO will be running simultaneously, but he will double check on all this.
- Also noted hydrants are in both ER and IAR, but feels it is much better in IAR.

- Asset Management/Checklist is where vehicles and vehicle maintenance are input. Not sure how/who requested maintenance is pushed to, but will get an answer. Equipment can also be put in here, but the department is already using Vector, and truck checks cannot be done in ESO.
- D/C Petkus questioned if Checklist can be accessed via cell phone, laptop, etc. Lt. Krueger noted he was able to access it on his tablet.
- IAR does not cost the district anything; it is more or less fire operations. Brief discussion.
- Will call other departments to see what others are using.
- A/C Chandler questioned why ESO is so much more money; questioned if you can do more with this new system. Lt. Kreuger was not sure.
- D/C Petkus suggested looking more into Checklist and then maybe get rid of Vector to make up the difference. Joyce noted that currently Vector is about \$5,000 per year. Brief discussion.
- Brief overview of the Personnel area. Roles and permissions are also available, with view only options as in ER. Awards program is supposedly where LOSAP is going, but he is still looking into it.
- Douglas questioned if inventory can also be done; Lt. Krueger noted yes, but he would rather see inventory in Vector.
- Joyce questioned if all incidents can be imported from ER to ESO.
- D/C Petkus questioned if Deidre does NFIRS for EMS calls; she noted she does not.

Lt. Krueger will get any clarifications and questions answered. To be added to the Board meeting agendas.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ramsey with a second from Commissioner Ellsworth to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth with a second from Commissioner Ramsey to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 PM. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

Joyce Petkus

District Administrator/Treasurer