

FIRE & EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TASK FORCE
CITY OF TOWN & COUNTRY, MO
March 10, 2021
Via Zoom Videoconference
9:00 AM

Members: Alderman Ryan Mortland (Co-Chairman), Alderman Sue Allen (Co-Chairman), Don Sanders (in at 9:05 AM), George Tarlas, Todd Solomon, Amber Walsh

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Administrator Bob Shelton, Communications and Administrative Assistant Morgan Kuepfert, West County Fire Chief Jeff Sadtler, West County Fire Deputy Chief Dave Fraizer.

1. Call to Order

Alderman Ryan Mortland called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and the roll as noted above was taken. There was a quorum.

2. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Solomon moved to accept the agenda as submitted, seconded by Mr. Tarlas and approved.

3. Approval of February 18, 2021 Minutes

Mr. Tarlas moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Solomon and approved.

4. Discussion – Fire House Options and Staffing

Alderman Mortland stated that there has been a lot of discussion previously, and wishes to lay out the options and educate the residents as best as possible. Mr. Shelton presented a spreadsheet to the Task Force that explained in detail six different scenarios, their estimated capital cost, annual cost, estimated tax rate, and the estimated average annual cost to residents. The spreadsheet also listed the current expenses and what is paid to WCFD, Capital Costs, Creve Coeur Fire District, and Central Dispatch. Discussion ensued relating to business license costs and if it was possible to offset some of the tax revenues by increasing license fees. Mr. Shelton stated that he would provide business license fee data at the next meeting and noted that any property tax or fire district tax would also apply to commercial properties; the residential cost is just informational.

In response to questioning, Chief Sadtler stated that the viable options have been presented and other, smaller scale options would not address the target hazards.

5. Next Meeting Date – March 4, 2021, 8:00 AM via Zoom.

The Task Force will next meet on April 15, 2021 at 8:00 AM via Zoom.

6. Adjourn

At 10:01 a.m., Ms. Walsh moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Sanders and approved.