

South Elgin & Countryside Fire Protection District

Foreign Fire Tax Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2016 at 0845 hrs.

Present:

Chairman Matt Starr, Vice Chairman Mick Krasowski, Treasurer Justin Cox, Secretary Eric Truax, Trustee Matt Sutton, Chief Bill Sohn

Absent:

Trustee Steve Diehl,

Guest's Present:

Capt. Mike Rothecker, Lt. John Freiberg, FF/PM Ryan Payne, FF/EMT Andrew Wright

Minutes:

Minutes from January 14, 2016 were reviewed.

(A motion was made by Vice Chairman Krasowski and Seconded by Treasurer Cox to approve the meeting minutes. 6 yes, 0 no)

Account:

Treasurer Cox gave an account update. The current Foreign Fire Tax balance is \$38,040.24. Bills for Comcast, Bourke eye shields, casket flag, and bed covers have been paid this past month. *(A motion was made by Trustee Matt Sutton and second by Vice Chairman Mick Krasowski to approve the treasurer report. 6 yes, 0 no)*

Public Comment:

Old Business:

Status of Outstanding Purchases

- Firefighter Behavioral training- Training has been scheduled for March 16th, 17th, and 18th. Payment will be given on day of training.
- Group and individual photos- The photo shoot has taken place. Ryan Payne presented the board with a visual display of the photos. Ryan has asked for additional funds to display the photos at Station 22 as well as Station 21. Ryan is working with Britta and Mike R. Rothecker for photo display options. *(A motion was made by Trustee Matt Sutton and second by Treasurer Justin Cox to add an additional \$215.00 to the photo request. 6 yes, 0 no)*
- Chairman Starr will be looking into the bookshelf purchase and contacting Gail Borden Library.
- The mattress covers have been ordered and paid for.
- The Funeral flag has been delivered and paid for.
- No further information has been received from FF/PM Dan Cooper about his education request. Chairman Matt Starr will follow up with him.

New Business:

New Requests

- Individual photos for Station 22 for a total cost of 200.00. *(A motion was made by Trustee Matt Sutton and second by Treasurer Justin Cox to deny the purchase. The board amended the original submittal instead. 6 yes, 0 no)*
- A request was made to purchase Uniform style trench coats for a total cost of \$5,790.00. There was much discussion about the amount of times they will be used. The Board felt that a purchase should be made for the full time Honor Guard members and then discuss with Trustee and Honor Guard leader Steve Diehl an order for the part time members. *(A motion was made by Vice Chairman Mick Krasowski and second by Treasurer Justin Cox to approve the purchase of 6 trench coats not to exceed \$1005.00 4 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain)*
- An educational request was made by FF/PM Paul Duffy for \$361.00. This class has been previously approved, and the paperwork for the new request is confusing. *(A motion was made by Chief Bill Sohn to table the request so that FF/PM Paul Duffy can explain exactly what he is requesting. Trustee Matt Sutton second that motion. 6 yes, 0 no)*
- A request was made to purchase one MPD and two ASAP for the Technical Rescue Team for a total of \$1,125.00. Treasurer Justin Cox presented the board with the equipment's functions. *(A motion was made by Vice Chairman Krasowski and second by Trustee Matt Sutton to approve the purchase not to exceed \$1,125.00 6 yes, 0 no)*

Any Other New Business

- Chairman Starr has spoken with Office Manager Britta and she is comfortable with performing the Foreign Fire Tax audit.
- The Department has received an E-mail from Dream Seat that we still owe them \$185.00; the exact cost of shipping the chairs. Treasurer Justin Cox will follow up and pay the bill.
- Treasurer Cox has set up an excel form to keep track of Foreign Fire expenses.

For the good of the order the meeting was adjourned at 0945 hrs.

Next Meeting will be March 10, 2016 at 0830 hrs.

The meeting minutes were completed by Secretary Truax.