



South Elgin & Countryside Fire Protection District



Foreign Fire Insurance Meeting Minutes

September 9th, 2021

Present:

Chief Steve Wascher, Vice Chairman Brian Beatty, Treasurer Justin Cox, Trustee Eric Truax

Absent:

Chairman Mick Krasowski, Secretary Steve Diehl, Trustee Scott Diehl

Guest's Present:

None

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 09:08 hours by Vice Chairman Beatty. The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from August 12th and requested one correction. **Motion was made by Treasurer Cox to approve the corrected August 12th meeting minutes and 2nd by Chief Wascher. Motion approved (4 yes, 0 no.)**

Account:

Treasurer Cox gave an account update. The current Foreign Fire Tax account balance is \$36,153.96. **Trustee Truax made a motion to approve the account balance update and seconded by Chief Wascher (4 yes, 0 no)**

Public Comment:

None

Old Business

The three Ink Bird digital thermometers have been purchased, arrived at their respective stations, and cleared The Foreign Fire Account.

The two Bear Claw meat shredders have been purchased, received, and cleared the Foreign Fire Account.

There was no motion taken on last month's AFO Training request because there are funds available in the Training budget for this course.

A request to purchase four Yeti coolers was tabled at last month's meeting to allow more time to do some research on other coolers. No new information was provided at this month's meeting.

The increased shipping cost for the station sauna has been paid for as approved in last month's meeting.

The Board discussed the upcoming Foreign Fire Tax Elections. Four members were nominated for the Foreign Fire Tax board: B/C Justin Cox, Lt. Mick Krasowski, FF/PM Scott Diehl, and FF/PM Shannon Harms. B/C Cox has rescinded his nomination, leaving three nominees for each position. With no election

needing to be taken place, the new Foreign Fire Board Trustees should be appointed at next month's meeting.

New Business:

A request was made by FF/PM Ryan Payne for \$200.00 to fund the remaining balance of his AFO class. The class has been approved by the Training Division and he has used his allotted department training budget. **The motion to approve the purchase was made by Chief Wascher and second by Trustee Truax. Motion passed (4 yes, 0 no)**

A request was made by FF/PM Ryan Payne for \$400.00 to purchase a workbook for his upcoming AFO class. **The motion to approve the purchase was made by Chief Wascher and second by Vice Chairman Beatty. Motion passed (4 yes, 0 no)**

A request was made by FF/PM Shannon Harms for \$431.97 to refund hotel fees and per diem from her completed Confined Space course. The Board is asking for receipts from her purchases. **The motion to table the purchase was made by Trustee Truax and second by Vice Chairman Beatty. Motion passed (4 yes, 0 no)**

A request was made by Lt. Phil Swider for \$998.53 to purchase free weight exercise equipment. The Board discussed some safety concerns and verifying the purchase with the Fitness Coordinator Jon Pollock. Chief Wascher spoke with FF/PM Jon Pollock about the purchase, and it was deemed to be beneficial for the department. **The motion to approve the purchase was made by Chief Wascher and second by Trustee Truax. Motion passed (4 yes, 0 no)**

A request was made by FF/PM Rob Ringale for \$975.00 to fund the remaining balance of his AFO class. The class has been approved by the Training Division, and he has used his allotted department training budget. **The motion to approve the purchase was made by Chief Wascher and second by Trustee Truax. Motion passed (4 yes, 0 no)**

The Board discussed a Comcast bill they received for \$120.00. The bill was for two cable box sets that were not returned to one of their facilities. It is known that these cable boxes were damaged beyond repair during training and demolition activities at 150 W State St. **The motion to approve the payment was made by Vice Chairman Beatty and second by Chief Wascher. Motion passed (4 yes, 0 no)**

Any other new business: None

Good of the order:

The Board wanted to thank and recognize B/C Justin Cox for all his years of service on the Foreign Fire Board as their Treasurer.

Set next meeting date:

The next Foreign Fire Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14th, 2021 at 09:00 hrs.

