



South Elgin & Countryside Fire Protection District

Foreign Fire Insurance Meeting Minutes

July 5th, 2023

Present:

Fire Chief William Luchsinger, Chairman Lt. Mick Krasowski, Vice Chairman Lt. Brian Beatty, Secretary Scott Diehl, Treasurer Lt. Eric Truax, Trustee Andrew Wright, Trustee Shannon Harms

Absent:

Guest's Present:

Lt. Rich Stumbaugh, FF/PM Tyler Hite, FF/PM Bailey Nixon

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 09:13 hours by Chairman Krasowski. Roll Call was taken. The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from June 7th.

Motion was made by Trustee Andrew Wright to approve the June 7th meeting minutes, and 2nd by Chairman Krasowski. Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)

Account:

Treasurer Truax reported that the account balance was \$57,019.08. **A motion was made by Trustee Andrew Wright to approve the Treasurer's report and was seconded by Chairman Krasowski. Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)**

Public Comment:

Lt. Stumbaugh mentioned the possibility of the foreign fire insurance board providing a subscription to Netflix's and Marquis Network. The Netflix subscription was discussed, and was encouraged. It was also encouraged for someone to submit a

request for the Marquis Network.

Old Business:

Chairman Krasowski followed up on the previous months business, and reported that the request for reimbursement by B/C Cox for the FRC Conference had been submitted approved and paid out. The Samsung 55" TV requested by FF/PM Elliott had been denied. Chairman Krasowski had spoken with FF/PM Lippold in regards to the iSeries Mattress and the board's decision to table them for more information. This request will be revisited at future meeting as such, FF/PM Nixon's request for Cornhole (Bags) Boards had been approved and the invoice had been submitted to foreign fire for payment. FF/PM Green's request for VMO was denied, as the funding rule for department classes had changed and were increased. Recliners were also brought up as this had been a tabled item, which had been submitted by FF/PM Payne. The board had asked for more information on the purchase of new recliner. No new information had been provided. Chairman Krasowski had spoken with several other members and the reported broken chairs were unable to be found. **A motion was made by Trustee Andrew Wright to Deny the request. This was seconded by Chairman Krasowski. (7 yea, 0 nays,)**

New Business:

Chairman Krasowski introduced the first new request by Lt. Rich Stumbaugh, for Ringers Hi-Viz Extrication Gloves. Lt. Rich Stumbaugh had requested to withdraw this request, as he was given safety grant money in order to purchase these gloves. Chairman Krasowski, indicated that for transparency and record keeping the request was left in. **Motion to deny the request was made by Chairman Krasowski. This Motion was seconded by Secretary Diehl. Motion approved (7 yea, 0 nays,)**

Lt. Rich Stumbaugh had made a requested for 3 Blackstone 4 burner flat top grill item number 8037617, and Blackstone 3/8-inch brass connect natural gas conversion kit items 8030424. Lt. Stumbaugh's request included the reasoning "We frequently cook breakfast for the shift. This would make it easier to cook as we can easily run of cooking space with the oven and small flat top on the stove. It would be easier to clean up afterwards and many people enjoy the use of a flat top grill for cooking." The cost of one Blackstone was listed as \$614.97. The total cost requested was \$1,844.91. Much discussion occurred on this request. Chief Luchsinger was concerned about the placement of the Blackstone on the deck at station 21. Chief Luchsinger wanted the Blackstone under the hood system for cooking. He was also concerned about splatter, and stains on the building and the ground. It was determined that more information was needed. **A motion was made by Treasure Eric Truax, to table the request until the**

information could be obtained. The motion was seconded by Trustee Shannon Harms. (7 yea, 0 nays,)

FF/PM Bailey Nixon made a request for Theragun Pro Percussion Massager. FF/PM Nixon reason included, “These percussion massage guns help tremendously with muscle pain, joint pain, and other chronic pain that our members may be suffering with. You don't even have to work out in order to reap the benefits of these devices. It helps reduce chronic back pain, as well as deal with cramps and sciatica. Theragun, while the more expensive option on the market, has proven to be the most effective. While vibration-based massage guns like you can find on Amazon for \$100 are cheaper, there is plenty of research and articles out now that have proven the benefits of percussion vs vibration therapy. Percussion therapy hits deep into the muscle to help break up stagnant lactic acid, as well as loosen the muscle fibers both prior to and following a workout. The vibration therapy guns are realistically no different than the cheap little three prong massagers you'd buy at Walmart or Target. They can potentially loosen up more of the surface muscle fibers. The \$599 price is for the Theragun Pro Gen 5. They have cheaper options, however with the attachments that come with the Pro I feel it is beneficial to spend the extra money. The battery life is also considerably longer with the Pro. Therabody also offers a 20% discount to first responders, so the cost would be approximately \$507 per unit after taxes.” The cost of one Theragun Pro Percussion Massager was listed as \$599. The total cost requested was \$1,797. **A motion was made by Vice Chairman Brain Beatty, was made to approve the purchase of the Theragun Massager. The motion was seconded Trustee Andrew Wright. Roll call was taken 7 yea, 0 Nah. Motion carried.**

FF/PM Bailey Nixon also made a request for Theragun Pro Wireless Charger. FF/PM Nixon reason included, “In conjunction with my last request if approved. The wireless charging stands allow for easy storage and charging of the device. Without the charging stand, it is simply a Micro USB plug-in charger (we all know how easily us firemen lose chargers).” **A motion was made by Trustee Shannon Harms, was made to approve the purchase of the Theragun Chargers. The motion was seconded Trustee Andrew Wright. Roll call was taken 7 yea, 0 Nah. Motion carried.**

Good of the order:

None

Set next meeting date:

The Foreign Fire Insurance Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, August 2nd, 2023, at 09:00 hrs. Station 21, 1090 W. Spring St., South Elgin, Illinois 60177.

Adjournment

Trustee Shannon Harms made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 09:56. It was seconded by Chairman Krasowski. Roll call was taken 7 yea, 0 Nah. Motion carried.

The meeting minutes respectively submitted by Secretary Scott Diehl