



South Elgin & Countryside Fire Protection District

Foreign Fire Insurance Meeting Minutes

August 2nd, 2023

Present:

Fire Chief William Luchsinger, Chairman Lt. Mick Krasowski, Secretary Scott Diehl, Treasurer Lt. Eric Truax, Trustee Andrew Wright,

Absent:

Vice Chairman Lt. Brian Beatty, Trustee Shannon Harms

Guest's Present:

FF/PM Tyler Hite, FF/PM Bailey Nixon

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 09:04 hours by Chairman Krasowski. Roll Call was taken. The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from July 5th.

Motion was made by Treasure Eric Truax to approve the July 5th meeting minutes, and 2nd by Trustee Andrew Wright. Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)

Account:

Treasurer Truax reported that the account balance was \$52,986.04. Treasurer Truax reported that Treager Pellets were purchased. The Theragun Pro Percussion Massager had been purchased and paid for. Treasure Truax reported that Checks number 223 and 224 were void. Check # 223 was because a payment to the district and to B/C cox had to be split, and the check had to be rewritten. Check # 224 was accidently ripped. **A motion was made by Secretary Scott Diehl to approve the Treasurer's report and was seconded by Trustee Andrew Wright. Motion approved. (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)**

Public Comment:

FF/PM Bailey Nixon wanted to thank the board for their work.

Old Business:

Chairman Krasowski followed up and confirmed that the request by Lt. Rich Stumbaugh, for Ringers Hi-Viz Extrication Gloves had been withdrawn. The board had denied the request officially. Also, the chairmen had followed up with the requested for 3 Blackstone 4 burner flat top grills and Blackstone 3/8-inch brass connect natural gas conversion kit. There was some discussion and the request had been tabled pending measurements. It was determined that the grill would fit under the hood system outside. The chief gave his approval. Chairman Krasowski did mention that he had spoken with members of station 22, and the only interest in having one out at 22 was by one member. The general consensus was that it was not needed. He also reported that station 23 did not show much interest in having one either. There was some discussion that station 21 was the only station that would use it. **A motion was made by Treasure Eric Truax, to purchase one Blackstone grill for station 21. The motion was seconded by Trustee Andrew Wright. (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)**

The request by FF/PM Bailey Nixon for Theragun Pro Percussion Massager had been approved. As stated in the treasurer's report, the massager had been purchased and paid for. However, the wireless chargers were on back order. Treasurer Truax reported that he would continue to attempt to purchase the charger.

New Business:

Chairman Krasowski introduced a new request by FF/PM Ryan Payne, for 3 Play Station 5s. FF/PM Ryan Payne had requested the Sony Play Stations for the following reason this request, "This is about mental health and team building. I am requesting 1 for each station. They can be set up in all the training rooms, so they are out of the way." Also has the best blue ray player on the market. There was some discussion regarding the request as this does promote team building. Chief Luchsinger did raise the question in regards to game controllers. The Play station only comes with one gaming controller. The board discussed this and did discuss approving extra funds for more controllers. The Chief also stated that he does not want them in the training rooms as stated in the request. **Motion to approve the play station with additional funding not to exceed \$2200.00 was made by Trustee Andrew Wright. This Motion was seconded by Chairman Krasowski. Motion approved Roll call was taken (5 yeas, 0 Nay 2 absent.) Motion carried.**

FF/PM Tyler Hite made a request for a Netflix account for the department. FF/PM Hite explained that with the recent changes to Netflix Streaming policy, members were unable to use their personal account without being charged for a second account. He did state that he had talked with FF/PM Elliott who is in charge of IT, and that Netflix works off the IP address and that all 3 stations could have the same IP address. There was minor discussion with this. The board's only discussion was that this would be a reoccurring charge added in our budget. **A motion was made by Trustee Andrew Wright, to approve the request for Netflix account. The motion was seconded by Secretary Scott Diehl. Roll call was taken (5 yeas, 0 Nay 2 absent.) Motion carried.**

FF/PM Tyler Hite had also made a request for various kitchen items for all 3 stations. FF/PM Hite's reason included, "Certain items in the stations have been thrown out, worn through, or just never had them. These are various small items that are necessary for basic cooking during shift meals." FF/PM Hite was in attendance and did talk about his request. He was requesting money to purchase items to cook with, for stations 21 and 22. Station 23 noted they were not in need of anything per the request. FF/PM Hite indicated that some items were never purchased, some items had become worn-out with use. There was discussion to approve up to \$450 to add an electric can opener for 21. **A motion was made by Secretary Scott Diehl, was made to approve the purchase of the New Kitchen Items up to \$450.00. The motion was seconded Trustee Andrew Wright. Roll call was taken (5 yeas, 0 Nay 2 absent.) Motion carried.**

B/C Cox made a request for Waterproof Mattress Protector Twin Size, Bamboo Mattress Cover. B/C Cox's reason included, "It has been a little over 3 years since we purchased mattress covers." B/C did step into the meeting during this discussion and confirmed that the mattress covers had not been replaced in over 3 years. The Board did discuss it and realized the need for new covers as most of the beds are slept in every night. **A motion was made by Trustee Andrew Wright, was made to approve the purchase of the Waterproof Mattress Protector. The motion was seconded Secretary Scott Diehl. Roll call was taken (5 yeas, 0 Nay 2 absent.) Motion carried.**

Chairman Krasowski reported that there were elections for 3 positions on the board. Chairman Mick Krasowski, Secretary Scott Diehl and Trustee Shannon Harms. It was discussed that an email would be sent out for nominations, from the members of the department. After all the nominations were accepted, voting would be opened to the department. After voting was completed, the board would hold its' own internal election for positions. FF/PM Nixon did nominate himself and FF/PM James Schoeff. Treasurer Truax also nominated Chairman Mick Krasowski, Secretary Scott Diehl, and Trustee Shannon Harms.

Good of the order:

Treasure Truax did inquire as to what the boards thoughts on changing the Foreign Fire Insurance Board's budget to coincide with the fire districts new budget/ fiscal year. Chairman Krasowski stated that it would have to be put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

Set next meeting date:

The Foreign Fire Insurance Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, September 6th, 2023, at 09:00 hrs. at Station 21, 1090 W. Spring St., South Elgin, Illinois 60177.

Adjournment

Chairman Krasowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 09:56. It was seconded by Secretary Scott Diehl. Roll call was taken 5 yeas, 0 Nah 2 absent. Motion carried.

The meeting minutes respectively submitted by Secretary Scott Diehl