



South Elgin & Countryside Fire Protection District



Foreign Fire Insurance Meeting Minutes

December 8th, 2022

Present:

Assistant Chief Dave Schmidt (Chief's representative), Chairman Lt. Mick Krasowski, Vice Chairman Lt. Brian Beatty, Treasurer Lt. Eric Truax, Trustee Andrew Wright

Absent:

Secretary Scott Diehl, Trustee Shannon Harms

Guest's Present:

B/C Matt Starr, FF/PM Elliott, FF/PM Nixon

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 09:05 hours by Chairman Krasowski. The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from November 10th 2022.

Motion was made by Treasurer Truax and seconded by Trustee Andrew Wright to approve the November 10th meeting minutes. Motion approved (5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent)

Account:

Treasurer Truax reported that the account balance was \$34,235.74. Several transactions went through the account to pay for the Kitchen Project at Station 22, Rescue Saw, Traeger Pellets, and two row machines. The Il municipal League issued our annual payment to the Foreign Fire Board for a total amount of \$59,747.76. The check will be deposited and reflected on the next month's Treasurer Report.

A motion was made by Trustee Wright to approve the Treasurer's report and was seconded by Vice Chairman Beatty.

Motion approved (5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent)

Public Comment:

None

Old Business:

An update on the DeWalt 9” Cut Off saws purchase. FF/PM Lippold has one saw in hand and is waiting for the other 2 saws to arrive before placing them in service. The expected arrival will be in February.

The Station Logos were highlighted on our agenda; however, the Board denied this request last month.

An update on the Station 22 Kitchen Project. The project is almost complete. There are a few items left to finish including a dryer vent access panel in the wall, and fire extinguisher placement.

The board had a tabled request for 65 quarter zip up shirts. Lt. Stumbaugh has been wearing a demo of the shirts and is impressed with them. **A motion was made to approve this purchase of 65 quarter zip shirts, not to exceed \$3,380.00. The motion was made by Treasurer Truax and seconded by Trustee Wright. (5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent).** A/C Schmidt requested that we try to get different sized demo shirts for the department members to try on from the vendor.

The Sierra XR80 modems have been ordered and we are awaiting shipment.

A request for a Dewalt ratchet set was on the agenda, however the board denied the purchase last month.

Chairman Krasowski posted the Foreign Fire By-laws changes at all three stations. We received no questions or concerns from personnel about the changes.

The new meeting dates were scheduled for the year 2023. Our meetings have moved to the first Wednesday of the month at 09:00.

New Business:

A request was made for \$482.00 to purchase a Sensit meter for Eng-23. This is the same meter we use on Eng-21 and Eng-22.

Vice Chairman Beatty made a motion to approve the purchase. This Motion was seconded by Trustee Wright. Motion approved (5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent)

A request was made for \$210.45 to purchase 96 patient care bears. This item is great to have on pediatric incidents, and is the same style of bear we used previously.

Treasurer Truax made a motion to approve the purchase. This Motion was seconded by A/C Schmidt. Motion approved (5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent)

A request was made for \$900.00 to purchase a 62" Husky Workbench to replace the squad desks at the stations in the bay. **A motion was made by Vice Chairman Beatty and second by Chairman Krasowski to deny this purchase (4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain, 2 absent)**

A request was made for \$100.00 to purchase Tupperware for Station 22. There was discussion on the type of Tupperware, limited storage, and varied sizes available than the one presented. Trustee Wright will be looking into other options. **A motion to table the purchase was made by Vice Chairman Beatty and second by Chairman Krasowski. (4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain, 2 absent)**

A request was made for \$959.58 to purchase three TSR Halligans. This Halligan will marry well with the fire maul currently on Eng-22. The board discussed trying the tool out to see if the district likes it. **A/C Schmidt made a motion to approve the purchase of one TSR Halligan not to exceed \$319.95. This Motion was seconded by Treasurer Truax. Motion approved (4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain, 2 absent)**

A request was made for \$1059.90 to purchase two TSR Ram and Halligan combo. This would make all our engines have the same combo as E22, but we are going to try the combo out on E22 before moving forward to purchase any more. **Chairman Krasowski made a motion to deny the purchase. This Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Beatty. (4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain, 2 absent)**

A request was made to purchase 23 Grip Kits for \$642.85. This will replace the grips worn on all the department rigs. The Grip tape can be colored to match their corresponding rig. **Chairman Krasowski made a motion to approve the purchase not to exceed \$642.85. This Motion was seconded by Treasurer Truax. Motion approved (5 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain, 2 absent)**

A request was made to purchase a door training simulator for the district, not to exceed \$10,000.00. B/C Starr made a presentation on the need for this item and the available options we had to purchase from. **Chairman Krasowski made a motion to approve the purchase not to exceed \$10,000.00. This Motion was seconded by Treasurer Truax. Motion approved (5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent)**

(0927 A/C Schmidt left the meeting for another appointment.)

A request was made to purchase a MegaCode Kelly mannequin for the district, not to exceed \$7,000.00. The district's current mannequin is in disrepair and has reached its end-of-life usage. The total cost is \$14085.00, and Lt. Peters has an approved budget line item of \$7500.00, so he was asking for \$6585.00 to supplement the rest. **Treasurer Truax made a motion to approve the purchase not to exceed \$7,000.00. This Motion was seconded by Trustee Wright. Motion approved (4 yes, 0 no, 3 absent)**

A request was made to purchase 6 Germ Guardian filters and bulbs. The Board could not vote on this purchase because they did not have a quorum for this item. Chairman Krasowski was the requestor and cannot vote on his request. The Board will discuss at the next Foreign Fire meeting.

Chairman Krasowski presented a resolution to the board to allow Illinois Municipal League to collect Foreign Fire funds on the board's behalf. **A motion to approve the resolution was made by Trustee Wright and second by Treasurer Truax. (4 yes, 0 no, 3 absent).**

Good of the order:

None

Set next meeting date:

The Foreign Fire Insurance Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, January 4th, 2023, at 09:00 hrs. Station 21, 1090 W. Spring St., South Elgin, Illinois 60177.

Adjournment

**Chairman Krasowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:41. It was seconded by Vice-Chairman Beatty.
Motion approved (4 yes, 0 no, 3 absent)**

The meeting minutes respectively submitted by Treasurer Eric Truax