



South Elgin & Countryside Fire Protection District



Foreign Fire Insurance Meeting Minutes

January 4th, 2022

Present:

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

Absent:

Vice Chairman Lt. Brian Beatty, Trustee Andrew Wright

Guest's Present:

FF/PM Rob Rimgale

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 09:02 hours by Chairman Krasowski. The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from December 8th.

Motion was made by Fire Chief William Luchsinger to approve the December 8th meeting minutes with corrections, and 2nd by Secretary Scott Diehl. Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)

Account:

Treasurer Truax reported that the account balance was \$93,604.58. Treasurer Truax also reported that the Great Patient Bears had been paid and that Prior to the meeting Chairman Krasowski was informed by the Fire District that an Audit by the Illinois Municipal League had discovered an additional \$487.16. This amount was yet to be deposited in the account. However, this will bring the new account update to a total of \$94,067.38

A motion was made by Secretary Diehl to approve the Treasurer's report and was seconded by Trustee Harms. Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)

Public Comment:

None

Old Business:

Chairman Krasowski reported that the new DeWalt 9" Cut Off saws were in. Unfortunately, he as reported that FF/PM Lippold had informed him that the blades that we had order with the saws were on back order and had not yet arrived. The saws were being held until the blades arrived and then they would be placed in service.

Chairman Krasowski reported that the ¼ zip pull overs were now available on the uniform website and an email had gone out on how to order the shirts. Chairman Krasowski also reported that there was a deadline of January 16th by Lt. Stumbaugh to order the pull overs to get them on one order so he could give Treasurer Truax one bill with only the ¼ zip ups on that bill.

Chairman Krasowski reported that the Sensit HXG-2d Combustible Gas Detector for Engine 23 had been ordered.

Treasurer Lt. Eric Truax reported that the 4 Bags of 24 Great Patient Bears had been ordered and were in. The bears had been disseminated amongst the 3 stations.

Chairman Krasowski talked about the husky workbench and that they had been denied.

Chairman Krasowski reported that the Food Storage containers had been tabled and that the board had asked Trustee Wright to research a different set of containers with larger storage containers. Chairman Krasowski reported that he had to contact Trustee Wright, who then sent an updated version of the containers. After some discussion amongst the board members. It was determined that glass version of the storage container would work better than what Trustee Wright put in for again based off how many small containers were still in there and would they be used.

A Motion was made by Trustee Harms to approve up to \$150.00 for storage containers. This motion was 2nd by Treasure Truax. (5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent)

Chairman Krasowski talked about the TSR Halligan's from Fire maul. The Board had only approved one Halligan. Treasurer Truax had ordered the Halligan but do to demand the Halligan will not be delivered for several months. It was also discussed that the 2 Tactical strike ram Fire maul & TSR Halligan had been denied.

Chairman Krasowski reported that the Fire Maul Brand Grip Kits had been ordered and that Trustee Wright had been working on placing wrapping on the tools.

It was also reported by Chairman Krasowski that the Forceable entry prop had been purchased. He reported that he had talked to BC Starr and the company was saying that the prop should be delivered by the end of the month. Chief

Luchsinger stated that he had been approached by the police department about possibly splitting the purchase with them. There was some discussion, by the board as there was concern about logistics and movement of the prop from the police department to the fire station. It was determined that foreign fire would continue with the purchase and the fire department may make the prop available to the police.

Chairman Krasowski also reported that the Laerdal Mega Code Mannikin had been Purchase. Treasurer Truax reported that he believed that the mannikin had been delivered however the box had not yet been opened to confirm. Chief reported that there had been some issues paying for the mannikin but that the issue was being worked out with Laerdal.

Chairman Krasowski talked about the resolution authorizing the Illinois Municipal League to collect the fees and act on behalf of the Foreign Fire Insurance Board. The resolution was ratified, signed, and sent to the appropriate agencies.

Chairman Krasowski raised the reoccurring expenses under any other old business. There are several items that Foreign Fire Insurance board has voted to continue to support over the years. These items continue to be revoted upon annually. The items that are reoccurring are as follows, Trager pellets, Fire Department Coffee, and Cable Television.

Chairman Krasowski made a motion to continue to approve the payment and purchase of these 3 reoccurring items. This motion was seconded by Secretary Diehl. (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)

New Business:

Chairman Krasowski introduced the first new request by Lt. Mick Krasowski, for 3 Germ Guardian FLT9200 True HEPA Genuine Air Purifier Replacement Filter H, and 3 Carbon Combo Pack, for Germ Guardian AC9200 and Guardian Technologies LB9200 GENUINE UV-C Replacement Bulb for AC9200WCA Air Purifier, White, 1 Count (Pack of 1). About a year ago FFIB purchased 3 Large Room Allergen and Odor Reducing Air Cleaning System with HEPA Filter and UV-C to help with allergies and killing any bacteria or viruses in the air as well as extra filters. I know at 21 they replaced their filter and at 22 we replaced our filter. The UV bulb indicator light is flashing and according to the manual it is recommended we replace the UV bulb on an annual basis which is why the UV bulb indicator is flashing, to be replaced. They have been working out well so far just as long as the crews clean the pre-filter and around the filter. All according to manufactures recommendations. Little discussion was had.

Secretary Diehl made a motion to approve the purchase. This Motion was seconded by Treasurer Truax. Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)

Chairman Krasowski presented a request by FF/PM Rob Bartoswiewcz for the purchase of Hbada Ergonomic Office Chair Work Desk Chair Computer Breathable Mesh Chair with Adjustable Lumbar Support and Flip-up Arms, Black in color. The reasoning was updated chairs for the Station 22 kitchen table. Discussion occurred, and it was determined that the chairs did not fit the kitchen style and would look out of place in the kitchen.

Trustee Harms made a motion to deny the request. The motion was seconded by Secretary Diehl. Motion Denied (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)

Chairman Krasowski went over a request by FF/PM Bailey Nixon for the purchase of 3 Traeger Meater Plus Wireless Meat Thermometer. FF/PM Nixon's reason was While we have digital meat thermometers at each of the stations, the use of wireless thermometers that can be linked to our phones will allow the cook of the crew to still be involved with other crew activities. Also, as an example if the cook is stuck on a call, the cook does not have to have someone continuously check on the meat. The cook would be able to check the internal temperature and target timeframe of completion for the meat, and then text or call the BC or another crew member to remove the meat when it's complete. This will also prevent excessive opening of the exterior doors during the winter months. Fire Chief Luchsinger did speak about this and reported that he has this exact Thermometer at his home. He believed that after reading the reasoning that there were some mis understanding as to the range of the thermometer. He also reported that the distance barely made it into his home. Also, you must have an account and not sure how many can be on that account to work properly. The board discussed it, determined that the stations already had thermometers and that there was some concern as to how that app would work.

Secretary Diehl made a motion to deny the request. The motion was seconded by Trustee Harms. Motion Denied (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)

Chairman Krasowski went over a request by FF/PM Ryan Payne for the purchase of one Concept 2 Rower. FF/PM Payne reasoning included Station 23 does not have one. Since we got the other 2, members that are using them are very happy either the purchase or said it was a good purchase for physical fitness training. Station 23 has a place to put it since they take up less room than most people thought. It was discussed and brought up that this had been previously brought up and denied.

Chairman Krasowski made a motion to approve the purchase. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Harms. Motion approved (4 yea, 0 nays, 1 abstained, 2 absent)

Chairman Krasowski went over a request by FF/PM Ryan Payne for the purchase of 3 Rogue Rower Hangers. FF/PM Payne reasoning included Rogue row hangers for each of the row machines for each of the stations so they could be lifted and out of the way if members choose to do that for more room in the workout room. **Chairman Krasowski made a motion to approve the purchase. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Harms. Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)**

Chairman Krasowski introduced a request by FF/PM Andrew Wright for 10 more Fire wrap kits. FF/PM Wright stated in his request this is to complete the tool wrap project. Per Trustee Wright, "I was slightly short on my estimate. This will also allow me to get some spare paint to touch up the grips as they wear." **Trustee Harms made a motion to approve the purchase. The Motion was seconded by Secretary Diehl. Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)**

Good of the order:

Chief Luchsinger brought up that there will Live Fire training the week of our next meeting and whoever is on duty that day of our meeting may be able to attend. This was just a FYI.

Set next meeting date:

The Foreign Fire Insurance Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, February 1st, 2022, 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 10:13. It was seconded by Secretary Diehl
Motion approved (5 yea, 0 nays, 2 absent)**

The meeting minutes respectively submitted by Secretary Scott Diehl