

SOUTH ELGIN AND COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OFFICIAL RECORD

DATE: August 3, 2020

The regular meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The regular monthly meeting for the South Elgin and Countryside Fire Protection District was called to order on August 3, 2020 at the South Elgin Fire District, Station #22, 2055 McDonald Rd., South Elgin, Kane County, IL at 19:01 hours.

PRESENT: Secretary Rick Bohlman, Trustee Jeff Theriault, Trustee Diana Cornelissen

ABSENT: President Mary Van Winkle, Treasurer Jeffrey Speyers

Minutes of the Trustee meeting held on July 6, 2020 were reviewed. Trustee Theriault made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously,

Closed Session Minutes of the Trustee meeting held on July 6, 2020 were reviewed. Trustee Theriault made a motion to approve the Closed Session meeting minutes. Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report at the end of June 2020 showed a balance of \$8,015,695.53, the balance minus the July bills was \$7,127,323.76. There were accounts payable payments made of checks 16250-16326 and payroll checks 12256-12274. A motion was made by Secretary Bohlman to accept the Treasurer's Report. Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the current bills. Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to ratify the July 21, 2020 bills in the amount of \$45,087.25, and approve the August 3, 2020 (#1) bills in the amount of \$328,063.32. Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS –Chief Wascher reported that FF/PM Rimgale has obtained his VMO certificate, and that Samantha Heugh and John Theriault have passed their Trauma and National Registry exams for their Paramedic license(s). Congratulations Rob, Samantha and Jack on your hard work and great accomplishments!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – No report this month.

CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Wascher led a discussion on whether it would be feasible to have an Open House for the new stations while staying within the State health standards having to do with COVID.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT– No report this month.

OLD BUSINESS –

Sale of 150 W State Street - The sale of 150 W State Street to the Village of South Elgin was finalized on July 13th, 2020.

Covid-19 Update – Chief Wascher reported that the District COVID calls seem to be leveling off and that other call numbers (for different reasons) have increased. District employees continue to be mindful and adamant about wearing their PPE and adhering to safe practices to minimize the risk of transferring the virus during calls, while in public, and in the stations.

District Policy Approval – Tabled until next meeting; the policy manual needs some final tweaks to be completed.

Labor Negotiations – Administration and the Union need to meet in the next couple weeks.

2020-21 Budget – A working budget has been available for the District since July 2, 2020. A Special meeting will need to be scheduled for the Open Hearing to approve the 20/21 Budget and Appropriations. The Budget and Appropriations need to be filed with Kane and DuPage Counties by the end of August.

New Engine Update – A/C Rothecker met with our sales person to finalize our choices and changes. With our discount, we will stay within our budgeted amount for the new engine. The Engine Committee will schedule another trip next March or April, a final trip will be scheduled when the engine is completed.

NEW BUSINESS –

Special Meeting – A Special Meeting is necessary to approve the 20/21 Budget and Appropriations. The Board agreed to set the meeting for August 25, 2020 @ 14:00.

Our current Full Time Firefighter hiring list will expire on November 19th, 2020. The District will be accepting applications for Full Time Firefighter until September 18, 2020; a 25.00 fee for applications will be charged. The written test is scheduled for October 17th, 2020.

The District's current Captain's Promotional List will expire on April 23, 2021. These applications are now available to be picked up by qualified personnel until August 21, 2020. Orientation for this testing will be on March 15, 2021, the Assessment Center on March 18th, 2021, and the written exam is scheduled for March 26, 2021. Preference points need to be turned in by April 23rd, 2021. Good luck to our applicants!

The reappointment of Mary Van Winkle to the Pension Board will be added to the agenda for the next monthly meeting.

GOOD OF THE DISTRICT – A/C Rothecker thanked everyone who put so much time and effort into making the transition of moving into the new stations run so smoothly. A/C Rothecker also noted that 20% of the District's calls have been out of Station 23.

PUBLIC COMMENT - Nothing at this time

There being no further business to come before the Board on a motion duly made by Secretary Bohlman and seconded by Trustee Theriault, the meeting was adjourned at 19:30 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Bohlman