

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

DATE: February 4, 2019

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 February 4, 2019 at the South Elgin Fire District, Station #22, 2055 McDonald Rd. South Elgin, Kane County, IL at 19:00 hours.

PRESENT: President Mary Van Winkle, Secretary Rick Bohlman, Treasurer Jeffrey Speyers, Trustee Diana Cornelissen

ABSENT: Trustee Jeff Theriault

Minutes of the Trustee meeting held on January 7, 2019 were reviewed. Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Secretary Rick Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with Treasurer Speyers abstaining.

The Treasurer's Report at the end of December 2018 showed a balance of \$17,025,310.94 the balance minus the January bills was \$16,624,545.23. There were accounts payable payments made of checks 14993-15056, and payroll checks 11828 thru 11853. A motion was made by Secretary Bohlman to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Trustee Cornelissen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the current bills. Secretary Bohlman made a motion to pay the February bills (#1) as presented in the amount of \$176,007.64 and to ratify the January (#2) bills in the amount of \$148,067.67. President Van Winkle seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS –

Chief Wascher recognized FF/PM Madsen IV for obtaining his FAE Certification; Walter has been checked off to drive the fire engines. Great job Wally!

Back in 2016 some of our members worked a difficult call with Elgin Fire Ambulance #4 crew; our shift guys responding were (then) Captain Mike Rothecker, FF/PM Jason Peters, and FF/PM Neal Lippold. A/C Lancaster was notified that they will receive an Elgin Fire Chief's award for their exemplary patient care.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – No report at this time.

CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Wascher reported that our Lieutenants Testing has been completed. The list will be posted after all military points have been added and final scores are compiled.

A notice has been posted on our website and Facebook page regarding Part Time employment opportunities in the District.

The Employee Recognition Dinner is scheduled for March 2nd, 2019 at Moretti's in Bartlett. The cocktail hour begins at 6pm; dinner will be served at 7pm with presentations immediately following. Presentations include Years of Service Awards and the Kenny Cornelissen Firefighter of the Year Award.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT-

Attorney Ryan Morton reported to the Board some new bills having to do with spending money on conferences and training; these new bills fortunately do not affect our District. Ryan also noted that we no longer have to approve the Prevailing Wage Resolution annually, it will remain continually effective.

OLD BUSINESS –

Chief Wascher reported that we still have not heard from the Kane County Board regarding Rick Bohlman and Jeff Speyers board position reappointments. President Van Winkle will follow up with the County about the reappointments.

New Stations - Trustee Cornelissen, Treasurer Speyers, Chief Wascher, A/C Lancaster and A/C Rothecker met with Lamp and 222 Architects to discuss the new station bids. Some alternate bids were chosen to stay within budget. The Civil Plans for the new stations have been submitted to the Village.

Dave Broz from Railside Citrus presented the Board the projected savings the District would receive if we raised our insurance policy deductibles. The Board decided at this time it would not be in the Districts interest to raise our deductibles; this subject will be revisited next year. A/C Rothecker adds that the District's Fiduciary Liability Insurance is due in April; the Pension Board and the District alternate the payment of this bill.

NEW BUSINESS –

Chief Wascher and A/C Rothecker report that the plans for the new stations are looking good and staying within budget. There are tentative plans to start the building process mid-March and build both stations simultaneously with a 9-12 month completion date.

A/C Rothecker discussed the hiring schedule for the new Station 23 personnel.

Treasurer Speyers made a motion to move forward and accept the lowest responsible bids for the new stations. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-001 to surplus the District's old Stryker Power Pro XT Cot W/Power Load. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The District needs to replace our current brush truck and Chief's car 201. A motion was made by Treasurer Speyers to purchase two new replacement vehicles, staying within the current budget. Trustee Cornelissen seconded and the motion passed unanimously

Ovington Appraisal Service conducted an appraisal of station 21; the building was appraised at 400,000.

Chief Wascher, A/C Rothecker, and Britta met with Lindsey from Andres. Lindsey assured us that we are just where we need to be regarding ambulance transport billing; this subject will be revisited next year.

GOOD OF THE DISTRICT- Britta would like to acknowledge all the great work that has been done to keep the Fire Prevention Bureau going in the absence of the Inspector. Thanks to Captain Eckles, A/C Lancaster, Liz Loss, and Rich Stumbaugh. Also thanks to the 7G workers!

PUBLIC COMMENT- Nothing at this time.

There being no further business to come before the Board on a motion duly made by Trustee Cornelissen and seconded by Treasurer Speyers, the meeting was adjourned at 19:34 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Bohlman