

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

DATE: January 3, 2021

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 via Zoom Meeting pursuant to Governor Pritzker's applicable executive orders in response to COVID-19 and Public Act 101-640.

PRESENT: Treasurer Jeffrey Speyers, Trustee Jeff Theriault, and Trustee Diana Cornelissen

ABSENT: President Mary Van Winkle, Secretary Rick Bohlman

PRESENTATIONS - FF/PM Tyler Hite has received his Hazardous Materials incident Command Certification. Lieutenant Eric Truax received his Advanced Fire Officer Certification. Great job and congratulations!

Acceptance and Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of December 6, 2021, meeting minutes, regular, special, and closed
- b. Approval of Treasurer's Report for November 2021
- c. Approval of January 3, 2022 bills in the amount of \$ 204,258.25
Ratify December 20, bills in the amount of \$ 241,674.59

Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to accept and approve items A, (minus the Closed Session Minutes which will be approved at the February 2022 meeting), thru C on the consent agenda. Treasurer Theriault seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – No report at this time

CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Wascher informed the board that the District ran an all-time high number of calls in 2021; 3769 calls. We have had 4 members off with COVID this month, three will be back to work this week after completing their quarantine period. Promotional testing for Battalion Chief and Lieutenant will begin this next week with orientation; the assessment center, in-basket, and the written test will all follow later in the month. FF/PM Steve Diehl has announced his retirement on February 11th 2021. We made an offer of employment to the next candidate on the Full Time Hiring List, Anthony Saccomanno. Anthony has accepted our offer and will begin the hiring process.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT– Attorney Flaherty informed the board of some available training through IAFFD.

OLD BUSINESS –

2021/2022 Budget Update- The District's overtime was down again this month. The District's annual bond interest payment was made in December 2021. The District's annual Employer HSA contribution was made on the first business day in January 2022. Ambulance collections were up, as the District was very busy in December. Trustee Theriault requested that we have our financial advisors for our Charles Schwab account come to a meeting to discuss our current return. Chief Wascher will reach out to Sawyer/Falduto to secure a date for them to attend a future meeting.

2020/2021 Audit Approval - Trustee Theriault made a motion to accept the 2020-2021 Annual Financial Report. Treasurer Speyers seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

2020/2021 Treasurers Report Approval – Treasurer Speyers made a motion to accept the 2020-2021 Treasurer’s Report. Trustee Theriault seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Any other Old Business- Nothing at this time

NEW BUSINESS –

COVID Update- Sherman Hospital has reported that the overall numbers of COVID cases are up from last week with the hospital at peak census.

Hurst Equipment Purchase- The District needs to replace our Hurst Equipment due to age and disrepair. The tool package is \$28,000.00, Foreign Fire will split the cost with the District. Trustee Theriault made a motion to purchase the Hurst Tool Package as presented. Trustee Cornelissen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Vehicle Replacement Update – Battalion Chief Cox prepared a complex Vehicle Replacement Guide. The Trustees will look it over and further discuss the content at the next meeting.

Any other New Business

GOOD OF THE DISTRICT – Nothing at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Nothing at this time.

Chief Wascher added that the annual CS minute review will be conducted at the February 2022 meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board on a motion duly made by Treasurer Speyers and seconded by Trustee Theriault, the meeting was adjourned at 19:25 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Cornelissen