

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

DATE: July 2, 2018

The 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 July 2, 2018 at the South Elgin Fire District, Station #22, 2055 McDonald Rd. South Elgin, Kane County, IL at 19:01 hours.

PRESENT: President Mary Van Winkle, Secretary Rick Bohlman, Treasurer Jeffrey Speyers, Trustee Jeff Theriault, Trustee Diana Cornelissen, Chief Steve Wascher
ABSENT: None

Minutes of the Trustee meeting held on June 4, 2018 were reviewed. Trustee Theriault made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Trustee Cornelissen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report at the end of May 2018 showed a balance of \$5,440,383.11, the balance as of the meeting was \$5,223,585.54. There were accounts payable payments made of checks 14587-14625, and payroll checks 11675 thru 11711. AP check 14586 was voided; it was printed over in error with no money transferred. A motion was made by Trustee Cornelissen to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the current bills. Treasurer Speyers made a motion to pay the July bills (#1) as presented in the amount of \$137,526.29 and to ratify the June (#2) bills in the amount of \$65,630.52. Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS –

Chief Wascher informed the Board that A/C Lancaster, FF/PM Steven Diehl, and FF/PM Scott Diehl assisted the Elgin Police and Fire Department in a search in Tyler Creek for a weapon from a double homicide. The Elgin Police sent a note of appreciation for their help.

Hampshire Fire Department sent a thank-you letter to our department for our help at a fire in their District on 6/23/18. A/C Lancaster responded as a Chief, and Captain Starr, Eric Truax, and Jordan Padron responded in the tower truck out to Hampshire to assist their department.

Chief Wascher reported that Neal Lippold and Michael R. Rothecker received their Office of the State Fire Marshal Trench Operations Certification, congratulations guys.

Chief Wascher and Britta thanked Black Shift for their much needed help with a notification mailing to everyone living within 1000 feet of our new proposed stations. With help from Captain Eckles, Harvey Parks, Dan Cooper, Shannon Harms, Chief Wascher, A/C Rothecker and Liz Loss we were able to get the letters in the mail under the deadline. Attorney Ryan Morton also helped by aiding with approving/adding to the letters content.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT –

Nothing at this time.

CHIEF'S REPORT –

Chief Wascher informed the Board that our latest full time hire Brendan Hay has decided to leave us for another department. The next candidate on the Full Time List has been contacted to start the hiring process.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT–

Attorney Ryan Morton reported that their office and Lamp construction has cooperatively prepared our Construction Manager Contract; the contract is not completed as of yet and will be approved / signed at the August meeting. He also reported that the necessary letters have been sent to the owners of the properties we are annexing into our District; we are on track to approve the ordinances of annexation for these properties at the August meeting. We have been working with Fox River & Countryside Fire Rescue District to work out mutual agreements for the properties that are split between our districts.

OLD BUSINESS –

Lamp Construction and 222 Architects have met at Station 21 twice this past month. The Village noticed in our plans from 222 that we needed to fill out a variance application for Station 23; our building will cover more land than normally allowed. Letters were sent out to all residents living within 1000 feet of the proposed stations. We will go before the Planning and Zoning Committee on July 18th. Ehlers will be present at the meeting in August to explain the timeline of drawing the bond money.

Trustee Theriault asked about the outside building materials of the new stations. Treasurer Speyers asked if Station 21 will have a basement and about the heating and air conditioning. A/C Rothecker explained the decisions that were made for these items due to cost /savings. Lamp has cautiously given us a completion timeline of July 2019 for Station 23 and the end of 2019 for Station 21.

NEW BUSINESS –

The Board discussed Reimbursement Ordinance 18-0179, this ordinance allows us to pay for items for the new stations before we get the bond money and will allow us to be reimbursed once we receive the bond money. Trustee Cornellisen motioned to approve Ordinance 18-0179 expressing official intent regarding certain expenditures to be reimbursed from proceeds of an obligation to be issued by the South Elgin and Countryside Fire Protection District, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois. Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Theriault made a motion to reappoint Chief Wascher to the Pension Board. Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Station 22 Parking Lot- Chief Wascher contacted Baxter Woodman to ask about the status of our plans for replacing the Station 22 parking lot. Trustee Theriault asked about why this job has been delayed. Chief Wascher explained reasons for the hold up and reported that they are hoping to start the work on the parking lot in August.

Chief Wascher invited the Board to ride on the apparatus in the Fourth of July Parade. We are also planning on handing out freeze pops at our new Station 21 location.

Budget- A/C Rothecker went over the proposed budget with the board. He explained that he budgeted for the worst case scenario. The budget will be different than in past years because of the addition of the referendum money. We will keep separate accounts for the bond money. A/C Rothecker explained that we will need to use some of our reserve savings to complete the stations; the bond money builds the stations but will not complete all that is needed. A/C Rothecker went over the budget line by line to explain items. A/C Rothecker reminded the Board of the additional funds we will receive in tax money next year that will help alleviate some of the overages this year. He also mentioned that we will be recycling/moving anything possible, i.e. filing cabinets, SCBA compressor, etc. The fire pole planned for the new Station 21 and the bi-fold garage doors were removed from the building plans due to their high cost. A/C Rothecker went over the payroll portion of the proposed budget; he added that we will need to test for a new Full Time Firefighter hire list as our current list will soon be depleted.

A/C Rothecker asked the Board to schedule a Special Meeting to review the proposed budget; this gives them time to ask any questions they may have regarding the budget. The Board decided to schedule the Special Meeting for July 24, 2018 @ 18:00.

GOOD OF THE DISTRICT –

A/C Rothecker asked the Boards permission to participate with the SEPD (Officer Creighton) by supplying an engine to be involved in a motorcade leading to an Operation Warrior fundraiser at St Andrews Country Club / Golf Course. The engine will be driven by a volunteer.

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 Treasurer Speyers, the meeting was adjourned at 20:03 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Bohlman