

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

DATE: JUNE 12, 2017

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by A/C Lancaster.

The regular monthly meeting for the South Elgin and Countryside Fire Protection District was called to order on June 12, 2017 at the South Elgin Fire District, Station #22, 2055 McDonald Rd. South Elgin, IL, Kane County, IL at 19:00 hours.

PRESENT: President Mary Van Winkle, Secretary Rick Bohlman, Treasurer Jeffrey Speyers, Trustee Jeff Theriault, Chief Sohn

ABSENT: None

Minutes of the Trustee Special Meeting held on May 8, 2017 were reviewed. Treasurer Speyers made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the Trustee Meeting held on May 8, 2017 were reviewed. Trustee Theriault made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Treasurer Speyers seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the Closed Session held on May 8, 2017 were reviewed. Trustee Theriault made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report at the end of May showed a balance of \$5,901,932.62, the balance as of the meeting was \$5,708,265.32. There were accounts payable payments made of checks 13794 thru 13857, and payroll checks 11403 thru 11421. Check #13793 in the amount of \$2,351.48, written as a binder check for our new Standard dental insurance was ratified. A/P Checks (#s) 12659, 13134, 13475, 13518 & 13616 totaling \$1968.06 were voided. P/R Check #11420 was stopped at the bank and replaced with check # 11421 in the same amount. A motion was made by Trustee Theriault to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Treasurer Speyers made a motion to pay the end of May & June bills as presented in the amount of \$193,667.30. President Van Winkle seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:

Resident John Wangles attended the meeting to speak to the board and personally thank Gold shift for the excellent service they provided him on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 17; Mr. Wangles was transported by our personnel this past month. Mr. Wangles personally thanked and presented the following personnel with a certificate: Jason Peters, Neal Lippold, Mike R. Rothecker, Steve Diehl and Captain Justin Cox. Mr. Wangles also thanked Elgin FF/PMs for their help at St Joes Hospital.

Chief reported that another resident thanked him for the time and patience that the following personnel showed on a call pertaining to his autistic son: Lt Freiberg, Steve Diehl, Neal Lippold, Jeff Skelley, and Connor Hickey.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Nothing at this time.

CHIEF'S REPORT -

Chief reported that our District responded to two fire calls on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017. We were dispatched to a fire at 1209 Sandhurst Lane at 14:05, and then at 15:03 we obtained another call for a fire 1082 Manchester Court. Chief stated that we are sincerely appreciative of the assistance that we received by those Mutual Aid departments who were either on-scene or were standing by and running other calls for us during their change-of-quarters assignments, especially when the second call came in! Chief also noted that the dispatchers did a wonderful job keeping up with the very stressful situation!

ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Nothing at this time.

#### OLD BUSINESS

ISO - A/C Lancaster reported that we completed our ISO reassessment visit this past month, although it may take up to six months to get our report/rating back. He informed the board that he felt that we were prepared and in good shape for the reassessment, and hopes to change our rating to a two in town, and a three in our rural areas.

Star Com Radios – Captain Rothecker reported that some of the equipment is being delivered, radios should be delivered anytime. Captain Rothecker has set up radio training and hopes to implement their use as soon as possible. A contract for Star Com will be presented to the board to be approved /signed for the radios in the next couple months.

#### NEW BUSINESS

We are sponsoring candidates for the ECC Firefighter Operations Program starting in the fall. Applications need to be turned in by June 23, 17, with interviews taking place the following week.

Trustee Theriault made the motion to enter into an agreement and have President Van Winkle sign a three year contract with Tighe, Kress & Orr for our annual audit at the proposed price of \$7,350 per year, with the discussed addition that we have the option to dissolve the contract with appropriate written notice. Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 17-001 states the Prevailing Wage for Laborers, Mechanics and other workers on Public Works projects for Kane and DuPage Counties as determined by the State Department of Labor. A motion to adopt Resolution 17-001 as submitted was made by Secretary Bohlman and seconded by Trustee Theriault. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Sohn reported to the board that everything is on track for our upcoming annual audit at the end of the month and the Budget and Appropriations in August.

Chief Sohn stated that he will be on vacation starting on June 24 and will be back on July 1<sup>st</sup>. He will be back to work for a week and then gone from July 9<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>; he will miss the next board meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 17.

Chief Sohn reiterated his thanks to our dispatchers for their great work, and neighboring departments that quickly responded to our two fires on June 11<sup>th</sup>. He stressed that he is extremely grateful of the fact that no responders or civilians were injured during this incident, and that we could not have ended with such a positive outcome for both incidents without their help. He added that thank you letters were sent out to the departments and dispatchers that helped us out that day.

#### GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Treasurer Speyers thanked everyone for their time and efforts to make the fundraiser a great success; we brought in over \$10,000. Jeff reported that he will be going in the hospital for heart surgery in a couple weeks, this surgery is necessary before he can proceed with his quest for a new kidney. He will be recuperating from his surgery and miss the meeting in July. He also shared some great news- he has had two persons come forward to offer to donate a kidney to him, and one is a perfect match!

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Secretary Rick Bohlman