

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

DATE: June 3, 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 June 3, 2019 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

ABSENT: None

Minutes of the Trustee meeting held on May 6, 2019 were reviewed. Treasurer Speyers 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 May 6, 2019 were reviewed. Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to approve the previous meeting Closed Session minutes. Trustee Theriault seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report at the end of April 2019 showed a balance of \$14,820,030.16, the balance minus the May bills was \$14,280,280.00. There were accounts payable payments made of checks 15240-15328, and payroll checks 11921 thru 11938. A motion was made by Trustee Theriault to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the current bills. Secretary Bohlman made a motion to pay the June bills (#1) as presented in the amount of \$99,543.29 (\$35,828.17 from the 18/19 budget and 63,715.12 from the new 19-20 budget) and to ratify the remaining May 2019 bills in the amount of \$209,445.25. Trustee Cornelissen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS –Jack Theriault and Samantha Heugh have both passed the State test for Fire Apparatus Engineer. Lt John Freiberg obtained his OSFM Fire Officer II certification. Congratulations to all for their accomplishments and hard work!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Nothing at this time.

CHIEF'S REPORT – On May 11th the District participated in the annual Elgin Firefighter Memorial at Elgin's Fire Station 5. Our Honor Guard members Steve Diehl, Scott Diehl, and Ryan Payne assisted in the program. A/C Lancaster attended the Willow Lake Estates Memorial Day Program. Chief reported that he received good feedback of A/C Lancaster's speech.

Chief updated the Board on the Commission's decision to withdraw their offer of employment to the first candidate on the Full Time Firefighter Hiring List. The second, third and fourth candidates on the list have all taken a one-time pass at this time.

Chief informed the Board that there is an opportunity to participate in the Associated Firefighters of Illinois' Fire Ops 101 class being held October 5th in Naperville. The class gives elected and appointed officials a chance to participate in firefighter activities to better understand what firefighter jobs entail.

The Board discussed having an area in the new fire station(s) for displaying retired member photos.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT– Shawn Flaherty updated the Board on some newly passed bills in Springfield. Senate Bill 37 recently passed, employers with part time firefighters that have full time employment elsewhere will be required to keep records / report to the full time employer.

OLD BUSINESS –

New Stations –Chief Wascher reported that with better weather more work has been done at both sites. Chief Wascher also discussed some small issues that had to be worked out with a neighbor next to our Station 23 site. Because of the wet weather this spring we are a few weeks behind. Chief will update the board after the next weekly meeting with Lamp.

Chief Wascher reported that Trustee Theriault was reappointed by the Kane County Board to the South Elgin Fire District Trustee Board.

Election/Approval of Trustee Board Positions- Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to maintain the officer positions of the South Elgin & Countryside FPD Trustee Board; President - Mary Van Winkle, Secretary – Rick Bohman, and Treasurer - Jeff Speyers. Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Assistant Chief Contracts- The updated approved Assistant Chiefs contracts were signed.

NEW BUSINESS –

Operations Budget Approval – Assistant Chief Rothecker discussed the proposed 19/20 Budget. A/C Rothecker informed the board of the plan to stretch the cost of a new engine over the next two years. The Board discussed creating a finance committee. The Board discussed budgeting for new employees, full time and part time, and the utilities for the new stations. The Board discussed equipment needed for Station 23. The Board went over each section of the proposed budget. The board discussed slating money for long term building maintenance. The Board discussed our budgeted income for the 19/20 Fiscal Year. A/C Rothecker will continue tweaking the budget and begin work on the Budget and Appropriations.

Fleet Guide Chart/Replacement Schedule – Chief Wascher discussed the District's plan for apparatus/vehicle replacement. The new brush truck is almost ready for use and A/C Lancaster's new vehicle should be delivered any day. Chief discussed with the board some ideas on how they plan on financing future apparatus purchases.

Workers Compensation Insurance Renewal - Dave Broz discussed with the Board different options we have for our renewal and the costs of those policies.

Station 22 Commonwealth Edison Energy Audit Proposal - Commonwealth Edison performed an evaluation on Station 22. They gave us a proposal on updating the lighting at a reduced rate with the potential for substantial savings on our future bills. The Board directed A/C Rothecker to get a few more quotes from other companies.

Stryker Stair Chair Sale - Chief Wascher reported to the Board that we were able to sell the three old Stryker Stair Chairs for \$800.00 per unit.

The Board discussed different avenues of selling the old brush truck.

Dave Broz led the Board in a discussion on Builders Insurance. Dave provided the Board a handout with different policy choices.

GOOD OF THE DISTRICT- A/C Rothecker informed the Board that the Fire Alarm panel at Station 22 needs to be replaced at a projected cost of \$6,000.00.

A/C Rothecker reported to the Board that the District has had many occasions to use our Drone lately. We are working at building on our Joint Drone Team with the Elgin Fire Department.

PUBLIC COMMENT- None

There being no further business to come before the Board on a motion duly made by Trustee Theriault and seconded by Secretary Bohlman, the meeting was adjourned at 21:08 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Bohlman