

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

DATE: September 4, 2018

The regular 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 September 4, 2018 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 Jeff Theriault, Trustee Diana Cornelissen, Chief Steve Wascher
ABSENT: None

Minutes of the Trustee meeting held on August 6, 2018 were reviewed. Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the Trustee Special Meeting held on August 20, 2018 were reviewed. Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to approve the Special Meeting minutes. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with Trustee Theriault abstaining.

The Treasurer's Report at the end of July 2018 showed a balance of \$7,435,793.44, the balance as of the July meeting was \$7,152,207.57. There were accounts payable payments made of checks 14670-14730, and payroll checks 11728 thru 11747. A motion was made by Secretary Bohlman to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the current bills. Secretary Bohlman made a motion to pay the September bills (#1) as presented in the amount of \$317,174.72 and to ratify the August (#2) bills in the amount of \$49,838.68. Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS –

The board received a letter from the deceased fire fighter (John Paul Kilanski) from Algonquin / LITH's wife thanking FF/PM Steven Diehl, FF/PM Shannon Harms, and FF/PM Scott Diehl for their attendance and assistance at her husband's services.

FF/PM Mick Krasowski sent an email to Chief Wascher recognizing Captain Starr for assisting on a car vs motorcycle call while off duty. Captain Starr arrived on scene right after the accident happened and provided first aid to the motorcycle driver until the crew arrived. Good job Matt!

FF/PM Mick Krasowski also wanted to recognize FF/PM Walter Antos, FF/PM Scott Diehl, FF/PM Phillip Swider, and FF/EMT Kevin Henryson for their excellent care for a call on August 15. FF/PM Krasowski also wanted to acknowledge Captain Eckles, FF/PM Madsen and FF/PM Ames for assisting with the call.

Chief Wascher gave a brief introduction of the new fulltime employees.

Walter Madsen IV was sworn in as a new Full Time Firefighter / Paramedic for the South Elgin Fire District by President Van Winkle. FF/PM Madsen's wife pinned on his badge; the board congratulated / welcomed Walter to the District.

Jason Ames was sworn in as a new Full Time Firefighter / Paramedic for the South Elgin Fire District by President Van Winkle. FF/PM Ames's father pinned on his badge and the board congratulated / welcomed him to the District.

Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to suspend the meeting @ 19:19 to welcome our new Full Time employees. Treasurer Speyers seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Speyers made a motion to resume the meeting @ 19:38. Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT –

The Board received a letter from the Village of Bartlett informing them of an upcoming meeting for their TIF District scheduled for Wednesday, September 26th at 1pm.

CHIEF'S REPORT –

Per Ordinance 18-0185 the 1979 Ford E350 Step Van was sold as Surplus Equipment on August 14th for \$1000.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT–

Attorney Shawn Flaherty updated the board on the remaining two properties to be annexed into the District. Shawn advised the Board that annexation ordinances for those two properties will be on the next month's agenda to be approved. Shawn informed the Board of a new law that passed regarding military leave.

OLD BUSINESS –

Chief Wascher discussed with the Board updates /progress that has been made to the station(s) building plans and the building process. There is a meeting scheduled with Lamp Construction and 222 Architects for September 5, 2018. The bid letters are being fine-tuned; the letters will be sent out when completed. Shawn is working with Lamp to rectify an insurance issue in the contract; Shawn assured the Board that this will not affect the contract.

Chief Wascher contacted Dave Broz to look into acquiring Builder's Risk Insurance; Dave is working on attaining quotes. The Board discussed purchasing this type of insurance with Dave, and what the policy will cover.

Station 22 Parking Lot- Chief Wascher reported that Baxter & Woodman put the Station 22 parking lot project out for bid on August 29th. The Board discussed the bids that the District received with Dan from Baxter & Woodman. The Board made the decision to re-bid the project. Trustee Theriault made a motion to strike all current bids and rebid the project. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Maureen Barry from Ehlers was present at the meeting. Ehlers will be closing their Illinois office this year; Maureen assured the Board that this will not have any effect on doing business with their company or our bond process. Maureen discussed the bond process and the timetable / schedule of receiving the bond monies with the Board.

NEW BUSINESS –

A/C Rothecker discussed an estimate for the new ambulance/Stryker cot system. Prepaying for the ambulance will save the district over \$4,000. Attorney Flaherty discussed the need for a bond for prepayment of the new ambulance. The IPRF Safety Grant will help pay for the cot system.

Trustee Theriault made a motion to purchase the new ambulance from Foster Coach and the related equipment in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, and to table the prepayment of the ambulance until the October meeting. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Drone Program Update –

Chief Wascher informed the Board of the District's new Drone Team and the benefits of utilizing a drone in the fire service. The drone was purchased by the Foreign Fire Board. The Drone Team is led by Captain Justin Cox and assisted by Lieutenant Rich Stumbaugh. Other team members include FF/PM Walter Antos and FF/PM Matt Sutton. All team members have an FAA Part 107 certification. The team has been training with the Elgin Fire Department and will most likely work and train with the South Elgin Police Department. Capt. Cox discussed the possibility of securing grants to help fund future drone equipment purchases.

GOOD OF THE DISTRICT – Chief Wascher invited the Board to attend the District's Open House scheduled for Saturday, October 6th, 10am-1pm at Station 21. A side by side burn demonstration is planned along with many other department activities.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Nothing at this time.

There being no further business to come before the Board on a motion duly made by Trustee Theriault and seconded by Trustee Cornelissen, the meeting was adjourned at 20:34 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Bohlman