

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

DATE: September 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 September 3, 2019 at the South Elgin Fire District, Station #22, 2055 McDonald Rd. South Elgin, Kane County, IL at 19:00 hours.

PRESENT: Secretary Rick Bohlman, Treasurer Jeffrey Speyers, Trustee Jeff Theriault, Trustee Diana Cornelissen

ABSENT: President Mary Van Winkle

Minutes of the Trustee meeting held on August 3, 2019 were reviewed. Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the Special Trustee Meeting held on August 27, 2019 were reviewed. Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to approve the Special Meeting minutes with noted correction. Treasurer Speyers seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report at the end of August 2019 showed a balance of \$16,018,402.00, the balance minus the September bills was \$15,044,853.56. There were accounts payable payments made of checks 15467-15544, and payroll checks 11990-12009. 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. Trustee Theriault made a motion to pay the September 3, 2019 bills (#1) as presented in the amount of \$173,310.92 and to ratify the August 2019 #2 bills in the amount of \$768,889.38. Trustee Cornelissen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS – FF/PM Jason Ames and FF/PM Walter Madsen IV having reached their one year anniversary and completed their one year testing are now off of probation. Congratulations to Walter and Jason!

The District participated in the National Night Out celebration with the SEPD at Jim Hansen Park on August 6th. Our apparatus was on display for the public and our crew manned a fun water fight station for the kids at the event.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – No report.

CHIEF'S REPORT – The District's Open House is scheduled for October 5th at Station 21 from 10am-2pm. The crew will extricate a car during this this event.

Our six new proposed firefighters have all passed their necessary tests and will start on September 30, 2019. The swearing in ceremony for the new firefighters will be on October 7th at 6pm; the regular trustee meeting will follow at 7pm.

The District has sponsored 10 candidates in the current ECC Fire Academy; classes started the last week of August.

Chief Wascher reported to the board that the District manned the First Aid tent at Riverfest from August 15-18, 2019. Happily, there were no serious injuries to report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT– Attorney Shawn Flaherty updated the board on the recent changes in the House and Senate in Springfield. Senate Bill 37 and House Bill 2468 were discussed.

OLD BUSINESS -

New Stations – Chief Wascher has sent the Board weekly updates regarding the construction of the new stations. Chief Wascher reported that the workers are preparing to start pouring the storm shelter ceiling and the concrete walls. The crews are staying on track as much as they can with all the rains we have endured this past month.

Chief Wascher reminds the board that on September 4, 2019, William Luchsinger, Mick Krasowski, and Eric Truax will be promoted to Lieutenant at a ceremony held at Station 22 at 6pm. The three firefighters being promoted have invited everyone to join them for a celebration after the ceremony.

The starter on the District's new command vehicle (201) needed to be replaced (on warrantee); the repairs are complete and it is back in service.

The Apparatus Committee has been busy scouting out possible choices for our proposed new engine. They have been looking at specs of a smaller, more economical engine.

NEW BUSINESS –

District Policy Update- Attorney Shawn Flaherty has recommended that we update our Policy Manual. This update will be accomplished by reviewing the Manual in manageable sections over the next six months. The Board will start this process at the October meeting.

Annexation of 37W080 Hopps Road – The District received a letter informing us that the owners of said property have petitioned to be annexed by Elgin.

Montgomery PSEBA Application – Jeremy Montgomery has petitioned the District for insurance after receiving his line of duty disability pension. The District will invite Jeremy Montgomery to a Trustee Board meeting to discuss this request. Attorney Flaherty will walk us through this process until completion.

Station 22 Trees- The majorities of the trees at Station 22 have died or are in the process of doing so. The Board discussed the replacement of the trees and perhaps putting up a privacy fence on the back of the property. The Village will help us out on tree replacement.

Station 22 Capital Replacement Plan- Chief Wascher reported that this plan is still in the works and is almost to completion.

Surplus Equipment – A/C Rothecker reported to the Board that we have approximately 20 sets of fire gear that are deemed unfit for live fires. This gear can still be useful for training and for departments that are in need. Trustee Theriault made a motion to approve Resolution 19-004, approving the gear to be donated / sold as Surplus Equipment. Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

On October 7th we will be swearing in Robert Bartosiewicz, Matt Dalbke, Chris Elliott, Connor Hickey, Tyler Hite, and Anthony Rodgers as SECFPD Fulltime Firefighter/ Paramedics. The swearing in ceremony will start at 6pm; we will break for a cake reception and start the monthly District meeting at 7pm.

GOOD OF THE DISTRICT - Nothing at this time

PUBLIC COMMENT - Nothing at this time

There being no further business to come before the Board on a motion duly made by Trustee Cornelissen and seconded by Treasurer Speyers, the meeting was adjourned at 19:33 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Bohlman