

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

DATE: SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

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 7, 2021, at 19:00.

PRESENT: President Mary Van Winkle, Secretary Rick Bohlman, Treasurer Jeffrey Speyers, Trustee Jeff Theriault, and Trustee Diana Cornelissen

ABSENT: None

PRESENTATIONS – Chief Wascher reported FF/PM Rob Bartosiewicz received his Advanced Technician Firefighter certification from the State of IL. Congratulations Rob!

Commissioner Louis Oine has decided to step down after over 50 years of service to the South Elgin Fire District. The Board presented Louie with a plaque and their thanks for all his years of service. Commissioner Oine delivered some parting words to the Board and crowd.

Appeal of Fire Code Violations - The owner of the business located at 1221 LaFox Street in our District was present at the meeting to discuss the current violations of his building. The owner agreed to comply and complete what needs to be accomplished to remedy the violations within 10 days. The District agreed to send a letter to the Village of South Elgin to update / inform them when the violations have been resolved.

Items on the Consent Agenda:

- August 2, 2021 minutes
- August 2, 2021 Closed Session minutes
- August 11, 2021 Special Meeting minutes
- July 2021 Treasurer's Report - At the end of July, 2021 the District showed a balance of \$7,344,481.47, the balance minus the July 2021 bills was \$7,038,299.69. There were accounts payable checks 17094-17149 and payroll checks 12584-125615.
- August 2021 Treasurer's Report At the end of August, 2021 the District showed a balance of \$7,256,485.30, the balance minus the September 7th, 2021 bills was \$6,982,539.94. There were accounts payable checks 17150-17215 and payroll checks 12616-125646.
- Ratify August 2021 #2 bills in the amount of \$79,560.80
- Approval of September 7th, 2021 bills in the amount of \$273,945.36

Treasurer Speyers made a motion to accept the items on the consent agenda. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – No report.

CHIEF'S REPORT –Chief Wascher reported that FF/PM Rothecker, Lt. Peters, and A/C Rothecker left this morning for deployment to Louisiana, they will be there for approximately two weeks. A 9/11 Memorial Service is planned at Patton Mill Park, the ceremony will start at 10am. The Chiefs have decided to cancel the Open House scheduled for Station 21 on October 2nd, 2021 due to the resurgence

of COVID; we will reschedule in the Spring pending the COVID status at that time. The shifts are currently training on the new engine (21), and it will hopefully be put into service early this month.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT– Attorney Flaherty clarified the current Governor's orders on EMS workers and briefly discussed some of the bills that were passed / vetoed in legislation this that pertain to the fire service. This month will begin the mandatory weekly COVID tests for those not vaccinated. Shawn noted that the board will need to go into closed session for an employment issue.

OLD BUSINESS –

Monthly Budget – The District has been very busy with ambulance transfers the past few months and our deposits this month reflect all that hard work. An IPRF audit revealed that the District will need to pay an additional amount for our Worker's Comp insurance this past year. The increase was due to hiring more employees and promoting Battalion Chiefs.

Any other Old Business- Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS –

Station 22 Roof Bids/Approval – The Board discussed the upcoming roofing project and All American Exterior Solutions, the company who put in the lowest, most responsible bid for the project. Treasurer Speyers made a motion to approve All American Exterior Solutions bid of \$135,090.00 for the project. The motion was seconded by Trustee Theriault and was approved by unanimous vote.

Resolution 2021-003 Old Computer Equipment- Trustee Cornelissen made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-003, designating eight computer towers and 2 surface pros to surplus equipment. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously

Any other New Business- Nothing at this time.

GOOD OF THE DISTRICT – Chief asked that everyone remember our guys on deployment and those in Louisiana whose lives and homes were devastated.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Nothing at this time.

CLOSED SESSION - Trustee Cornelissen moved to suspend the regular meeting and enter into Closed Session at 19:36 for reason of (5 ILCS 120/2.1) Appointment. employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal. The motion was seconded by Secretary Bohlman and was approved by unanimous vote.

Treasurer Speyers made a motion to reconvene the meeting @ 20:03. Trustee Cornelissen seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

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 20:04 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Bohlman