

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

DATE: September 12, 2016

Opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

The regular monthly meeting for the South Elgin and Countryside Fire Protection District was called to order on September 12, 2016 at the South Elgin Fire Department, Station #22, 2055 McDonald Rd. South Elgin, IL Kane County, IL at 19:02 hours.

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

ABSENT: None

Minutes of the Trustee Meeting held on August 8, 2016 were reviewed. Treasurer Speyers made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes as written. Trustee Theriault seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with Secretary Bohlman abstaining. Special Meeting Minutes from the August 30, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Trustee Cluchey suggested a change regarding the attendance portion of the minutes; his name should be included in the "present" column, noting the time he arrived at the meeting. Trustee Cluchey made a motion to accept the minutes from the Special Meeting August 30, 2016 with the noted corrections. Secretary Bohlman seconded , and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report at the end of August showed a balance of \$7,126,699.27 the balance as of the meeting was \$6,936,728.65. There were accounts payable payments made of checks 13278 thru 13337 with check #13330 to Task Force 1 voided, and payroll checks of 11194 thru 11215 with check # 11214 to Garrick Penrod voided. Britta noted that the 2 checks were voided before the money was transferred so they will not show up in the financials. A motion was made by Secretary Bohlman to accept the Treasurers report and pay the bills for September as presented in the amount of \$189,970.62. Treasurer Speyers seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS: Paul Duffy has completed his bachelor's degree in Fire Science. Congratulations, great job Paul!

OLD BUSINESS

Back driveway Station 21 – Captain Cox has been obtaining bids to replace the driveway at Station 21 for both asphalt and concrete. We have three bids for each concrete and asphalt. It was mutually decided that asphalt will not be a suitable choice for this area. The top bid from Maul Paving /Asphalt/Concrete of \$115,000 was immediately omitted. Dynamic Asphalt Maintenance Inc. gave a bid of \$47,650 with a possibility of additional charges once the old concrete was removed. They are sub-contracting the work out (unknown at the time) and could not give us a start date. Tor gave us a price of \$49,500 with a start date within the next two weeks. Trustee Cluchey asks if Tor is the lowest responsible bidder. Chief notes he is concerned about not knowing who Dynamic is subcontracting the work to, and possible additional charges. Chief felt the most responsible choice was Tor due to the price they quoted, and that they are committed to complete the job by October 1st. It is noted that Tor conforms to the Prevailing Wage. Trustee Theriault made a motion to go with the Chiefs recommendation of hiring Tor Construction to replace the back lot of Station 21. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Special Events Large Gathering Permit – This ordinance will cover large outdoor events. The trustees led by A/C Wascher discussed the proposed ordinance. The proposed ordinance has been looked over by our attorney.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing for the mutual agreement concerning the Transfer and Annexation of Properties in the South Elgin & Countryside Fire Protection District which had been previously recorded in error (currently recorded as Fox River & Countryside Fire Rescue District, but continuously has been protected by SECFPD):

Ordinance 16-0162 Five Island Park, 8 lots - President Van Winkle asked if there is any Public Comment for this Ordinance, there was no Public Comment. Secretary Bohlman made a motion to pass Ordinance 16-0162, President Van Winkle seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 16-0163 Lafarge Quarry East - President Van Winkle asked if there is any Public Comment for this Ordinance, there was no Public Comment. Treasurer Speyers made a motion to pass Ordinance 16-0163, Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 16-0164 Lafarge Quarry West - President Van Winkle asked if there is any Public Comment for this Ordinance, there was no Public Comment. Secretary Bohlman made a motion to pass Ordinance 16-0164, Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 16-0165 Right of Way Parcel - President Van Winkle asked if there is any Public Comment for this Ordinance, there was no Public Comment. Treasurer Speyers made a motion to pass Ordinance 16-0165, Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 16-0166 Northwest Sterns Road & Dunham Road Corner - President Van Winkle asked if there is any Public Comment for this Ordinance, there was no Public Comment. Treasurer Speyers made a motion to pass Ordinance 16-0166, Trustee Theriault seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 16-0167 Thornwood Subdivision Parcels - President Van Winkle asked if there is any Public Comment for this Ordinance, there was no Public Comment. Trustee Theriault a motion to pass Ordinance 16-0167, Secretary Bohlman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

South Elgin Fire District has an Open House planned for October 1, 2016 at Station 21 from 10-1pm. All trustees are invited to participate.

ISO Rating – We will be renewing our ISO Rating next May. Chief Sohn discussed the ISO Rating process with the Trustees. Dave Broz from Railside Citrus explained how the rating affects our resident's insurance policy costs.

The State has issued new rates for Fire Recovery charges. We can now only charge \$250 per hour for all vehicles, not per vehicle. Haz Mat situations do not apply to this change. Although our Fire Recovery Ordinance has our rates at \$250.00 per hour, per vehicle, the Ordinance also states that we will bill at the preapproved rates per the IL State Law. Trustee Cluchey made a motion to not change the ordinance, but as an administration practice charge the maximum by Statute. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Ambulance transfer fee reduction requests- We had two requests, one offering us a reduced amount as a settlement through a lawyer, and one that is asking to be charged the resident fee since she works at a South Elgin business. The trustees entered into a discussion about how to fairly entertain the notion of ambulance bill reductions. The Trustees decided there is not a fair way to reduce the charges and to not decrease either charge at this time.

With the delivery of the new Ambulance 21, the old Ambulance 21 needs to be declared surplus equipment. Chief Sohn thinks that \$10,000 would be a good starting asking price. An ordinance will be prepared for this matter to be approved at the next meeting.

Approval of final audit for 15/16- Trustee Theriault made a motion to approve the final audit prepared by Tighe, Kress, & Orr for the 15/16 Fiscal Year. Secretary Bohlman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Cluchey made a motion to approve Ordinance 16-0168 for Large Gathering Permits. Treasurer Speyers seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

We had a thirteen year old boy named Ben Beyers conduct some school mandated community service for our district this month. Ben is from South Africa, he and his family are visiting his grandfather who lives in South Elgin. He joined us for a pancake breakfast, and performed several tasks with the shift crew. We had a great time with Ben, and learned as much from him as he learned from us!

We received a check from the Village of Bartlett for impact fees for the new housing on Rte. 25. We researched this matter and checked with our attorney to make sure we are entitled to this money.

Our Auditor would like for us to split the District money up into more than just our current (2) banks. Chief Sohn, President Van Winkle, and Secretary Speyers will look into ideas for this issue.

Good of the District –None at this time.

Public Comment – The Union is selling Breast Cancer T shirts, please let Britta know if you are interested.

Captain Rothecker informed the board that the Union will be participating in the Fill the Boot Fundraiser for MDA in the next couple weeks. This week is the National Firefighter Memorial and we are honored to have our own Steve Diehl selected to attend as a delegate for the State of IL. Scott Diehl will also be attending.

Trustee Speyers thanks everyone for helping spread awareness of his situation and his website.

Trustee Speyers made a motion to suspend the monthly meeting and move to Closed Session for the reason of possible litigation @ 20:10. Secretary Bohlman seconded, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned to Closed Session.

Closed session for the South Elgin and Countryside Fire Protection District was called to order on September 12, 2016 at the South Elgin Fire Department, Station #22, 2055 McDonald Rd. South Elgin, IL Kane County, IL at 20:11 hours.

Present: Mary Van Winkle, Rick Bohlman, Jeff Speyers, Joe Cluchey, Jeff Theriault, Chief Sohn, A/C Lancaster, A/C Wascher and Britta Eggebrecht

A motion to close the Closed Session at 20:27 and resume the regular meeting was made by Trustee Theriault and seconded by Secretary Bohlman, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the board on a motion duly made by Secretary Bohlman and seconded by Treasurer Speyers, the meeting was adjourned at 20:27 hours after the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Rick Bohlman