

Regular Meeting
7/21/20

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Pro Tem President Saas at 7:37 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Members Present: Secretary Phillip Saas, Treasurer George Kallas, and Trustee Randall Simpson. Absent: President Mark Klage and Trustee Jenny Saylor.

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans and Attorney Bernie Weiler.

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 6/16/20 and the Executive Session of 6/16/20 were distributed prior to the meeting. Trustee Kallas made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor. Trustee Simpson then made a motion to accept the Executive Session minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: Debbie Krygowski of Winfield School District 34 PTO and Eileen Tibble of WEF, addressed the Board, stating their appreciation of being able to meet with Chief Evans and President Klage to discuss the needs and shortfalls of the Fire District. They stated that they would like to do whatever it can to assist the Fire District in whatever capacity they can. Matt Rich, Superintendent of Winfield School District 34 also expressed his desire to help, adding that since the School District is seeking a referendum to reduce its rate, they will be advocating for a tax increase for the Fire District. He stressed the importance of supporting the Fire District in an effort to make the community safer. The Board thanked everyone for attending and for their offers of support.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for 6/30/20 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting, showing a beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account of \$853,128.53. After deposits of \$1,205,442.39 and disbursements of \$226,916.58, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,831,654.34. The combined balance of the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund, including CD's was \$1,814,769.03, giving a total of all funds of \$3,646,423.37. Treasurer Kallas made mention that although there is \$3.6 million in the bank, the expenses of the District average \$227,000.00 per month and that it won't take too long before those funds are gone. There being no questions, Trustee Simpson a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor.

Chief's Report: Chief Evans spoke about Alliance training and Specialty Team training, as well as the MABAS 12 Dive training that Winfield FPD hosted this month. He also reviewed several incidents that the District responded to over the last month.

With regard to service anniversaries, Robin Youngberg reached 29 years of service on 7/7/20, FF/PM Jeff Littledale and FF/PM Andrew Martin reached 7 years on 7/15/20, and FF/PM Jason Murtaugh reached 8 years on 7/1/20.

With regard to COVID-19, Chief Evans was proud to report that with the due diligence of the entire Department, Winfield FPD has had no COVID-19 related affected members on the Department.

Chief Evans made mention of the passing of Retired Member Alan Stuart, who retired with 20 years as a paid-on-call member, as well as serving as a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners for many years.

Chief Evans was notified that St. Charles Tender 101 has been permanently removed from service as of 7/17/20.

One of the District newer part-time firefighters, Dylan Hughes, requested a leave of absence from Chief Evans, which he granted. FF Hughes has accepted a full-time position with Palatine-Rural Fire Protection District and would like to take the first year to focus on completing his probation.

Attorney's Report: No report

Old Business:

None.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for June. Trustee Simpson then made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor.

New Business: Prevailing Wage Ordinance No. 335 was provided to the Board. Attorney Weiler indicated that, although the District is still required to pay prevailing wages, passing this ordinance was no longer necessary.

With regard to the TIF-2 District, Chief Evans stated that this was an obvious topic in the community, and he shared the information he received with the Board and Attorney Weiler. He asked this item to be on the Agenda as a topic of conversation, and he felt it was prudent for the District to take a position on it prior to the Village Meeting on that topic.

Chief Evans provided a memorandum regarding a Referendum question for the November ballot. After reviewing the memorandum with the Board, Trustee Simpson made a motion to approve adding the Referendum on the November ballot, seconded by Trustee Kallas, with the request to make the information materials as clear as possible as to what the District is looking for. All in favor by roll call vote.

Payment of Bills: The monthly bill list for July was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$51,366.93. There being no questions, Trustee Kallas made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor.

Other Business: None.

There being no further business Trustee Simpson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Phillip Saas, President Pro Tem

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary