Regular Meeting 1/18/22

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

<u>Members Present</u>: President George Kallas, Secretary Phillip Saas, Treasurer Robb Hannen, and Trustee Randy Simpson, and Trustee Jenny Saylor (via Zoom).

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, DC Eric Ermer and Attorney Shawn Flaherty.

<u>Minutes</u>: The minutes of the Public Hearing of 12/21/21, the Regular Meeting of 12/21/21, and the Executive Session of 12/21/22 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no corrections, Trustee Saas made a motion to approve all three sets of minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor.

<u>Remarks From Floor</u>: Resident Dave Hempe reminded the Board of the 1/24/22 Intergovernmental Strategic Planning Meeting at the Winfield Public School at 3:00 p.m.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: The Treasurer's Report for 12/31/21 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting. As of 12/31/21, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$2,629,178.52. After deposits of \$121,761.60, disbursements of \$905,486.01, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,845,454.11. The combined balance of the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund, including CD's was \$1,824,036.92, giving a total of all funds of \$3,669,491.03. There being no questions, Trustee Saas a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

Chief's Report:

Chief Evans stated that the Alliance training for this month has been cancelled due to COVID, but internally, Winfield is trying to arrange the annual swim test for members at the WCHS pool, which are required prerequisites for operating every year. He then reviewed a summary of incident activity over the last month. For service anniversaries, Gerardo Salazar has a total of 9 years, and Tiffani Clausen and a total of 18 years with the District.

Chief Evans then gave the Board an update on both Tender #31, and DC Ermer spoke about the progress with ESO Solutions and Flow MSP.

Chief Evans stated that the WSFRA joint grant for a mobile ventilation unit and the OSFM Grant for Winfield's air cascade system are both pending. A SAFER Grant has also been recently submitted for personnel.

DC Ermer is continuing working on developing policies through Lexipol, with an 18-24 month anticipated finish time. He also stated that the RFP's for roof repairs have been sent out, and proposals will be available for the next meeting.

The new full-time hire is currently being processed, awaiting his polygraph test at the end of January.

Chief Evans stated that the final results of the recent survey have been received and are being finalized.

<u>Attorney's Report</u>: Attorney Flaherty stated that the CPI for this year is now 7%, so the District will be able to levy the full 5% next year. In addition, he informed the Board that the Statements of Economic Interest from the County are different this year and went on to explain the changes.

<u>Old Business</u>: Chief Evans reviewed his memorandum regarding financial relief options of the District, highlighting the bullet points of the memorandum.

<u>Consent Agenda</u>: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for December, making note a total of 2,341 calls for 2021 and 8,609.75 hours of overtime worked by 15 fulltime members on staff. Trustee Saas made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor.

<u>New Business</u>: Brad Porter from Lauterbach & Amen was in attendance to present the Annual Audit, making note that the transition between accounting software programs mid-year caused several inconsistencies that needed to be identified and addressed. After his review, Trustee Saas made a motion to accept the audit as presented, seconded by Trustee Hannen. In all favor by roll call vote.

Ambulance Billing Ordinance #339 was reviewed by the Board, reflecting an increase in ambulance rates to reflect the current GEMT rates provided to the District. After discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 339 as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

Chief Evans provided the Board with a memorandum regarding the need to contract with a new IT provider, as the current provider is unable to meet the increasing demands being presented. The administration has met with vendors and will be making a recommendation at the Board at the February meeting.

The Surplus Equipment List was reviewed by the Board. Trustee Hannen made a motion to approve the distribution of the surplus equipment as presented, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor by roll call vote.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>: The monthly bill list for January was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$166,869.19. Trustee Saas made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor.

There being no further business for discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

George Kallas, President