

Regular Meeting
3/15/22

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Kallas at 7:32 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Members Present: President George Kallas, Treasurer Robb Hannen, and Trustee Randy Simpson. Absent: Secretary Phillip Saas and Trustee Jenny Saylor.

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, DC Eric Ermer and Attorney Joe Miller.

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 2/15/22 and Executive Session of 2/15/22 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no corrections, Trustee Simpson made a motion to approve both sets of minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor.

Public Comment: Resident Dave Hempe made note of many things on the Agenda that may need support in the near future. He suggested utilizing Search Engine Optimization with Google to make the Winfield website easier to find.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for 2/28/22 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting. As of 2/28/22, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$1,614,705.54. After deposits of \$85,715.78, disbursements of \$256,196.59, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,444,224.73. The combined balance of the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund, including CD's was \$1,824,945.42, giving a total of all funds of \$3,269,170.15. There being no questions, Trustee Simpson a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor by roll call vote.

Chief's Report: Chief Evans reviewed the Special Operations Drill and the Multi-Company Drill for the Alliance this month. He then reviewed a summary of incident activity over the last month.

Chief Evans announced the following service anniversaries since last month: Lt. Pete Daly-42 Years 3/1, FF/PM Craig Whitney-3 years 2/27, FF/PM Tom Maish-3 years 2/27, FF/PM Anthony Williams-1 year 3/1, FF/PM Charlie Gorgan-1 year 3/1, and FF/PM Robert Wangles-1 year 3/1. He expressed his appreciation to the Local 5024 and the members for the badging ceremony on Sunday.

DC Ermer spoke about the progress with ESO Solutions and Flow MSP and gave an update on the Lexipol project as well. Chief Evans updated the Board on the roof, stating that the repairs have been complete. With respect to the new engine, the Engine Committee made a trip to Ohio to visit the factory for an interim inspection of the progress so far.

Chief Evans stated that the Administration recently began the process of applying for a LARPA (Local American Rescue Plan Act) grant. As of yet, there has been no word on either the OSFM Grant or the SAFER Grant.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Miller stated that at the end of this month, the Disaster Declaration expires, so this is the last meeting held by this Board allowing the inclusion of Zoom attendees to

make a quorum. However, as long as there is a physical quorum in attendance, other absent trustees may attend via Zoom. Also, Attorney Miller stated that if anyone receives an FOIA request regarding the recent Bartlett fire, please let him know prior to responding to it.

Old Business: The Board reviewed the contract provided by adNet Technology Management for providing IT services to the District. After discussion, Trustee Hannen made a motion to accept the contract as provided, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for February, a Thank You letter from the Bartlett Fire Protection District, and a Commendation for FF/PM Andrew Martin. The call volume is up by 708 calls from last year as of 2/28/22, and the thank-you letter was for the assistance provided to the Bartlett Fire Protection District. The Board reviewed the memorandum commending FF/PM Martin for his quick and safe actions on the scene of a medical emergency. The Board appreciated everyone's efforts in ensuring a positive outcome in that situation. Trustee Hannen made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor.

New Business: The 2022/2023 Tentative Budget was provided to the Board ahead of the meeting, and Chief Evans reviewed some of the line items with significant changes. There being no further discussion, Trustee Simpson made a motion to adopt the Tentative Budget, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor by roll call vote.

The Board reviewed Ordinance No. 2022-340 Providing for and Requiring the Submission of a Public Question to Increase the Limiting Rate to be Submitted to the Voters of the District at the General Primary to be Held on June 28, 2022. After discussion, Trustee Simpson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-340, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor by roll call vote. President Kallas made a motion to appoint Trustee Simpson as Secretary Pro Tem for signing Ordinance No. 2022-340, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor by roll call vote.

Chief Evans provided the Board with a memorandum on the purchase of new Command Vehicle. After discussion, Trustee Hannen made a motion to approve the purchase at a cost not to exceed \$35,000 for the vehicle, plus the additional \$12,000 for radio, communication, and light packages, as well as the cost for an extended warranty. That motion was seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

A batch of draft amended SOP's created through Lexipol were provided to the Board prior to the meeting. After discussion, Trustee Simpson made a motion to approve the SOP's as provided, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor.

Two items were placed on the Surplus Equipment List for disposition. After discussion, Trustee Hannen made a motion to approve the disposition of those items as recommended, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

Payment of Bills: The monthly bill list for February was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$71,246.94. Trustee Hannen made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

Public Comment: Resident Luke Allen, chair of the Referendum Committee, stated that the committee could use as much help as possible getting information out before the election.

Trustee Hannen made a motion to move into Executive Session at 9:18 p.m. to review previous Executive Session minutes for possible release, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor.

(Executive Session)

The Board resumed Open Session at 9:32 p.m. Trustee Hannen made a motion to release the following minutes: 3/3/08, 7/15/08, 10/4/12, 10/16/12, 1/19/16, 2/20/18, 4/17/18, 6/19/18, 7/24/18, 5/21/19, 7/16/19, 8/20/19, 9/17/19, 10/15/19, 11/19/19, 12/17/19. That motion was seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor.

There being no further discussion, Trustee Hannen made a motion to adjourn Open Session at 9:35 p.m., seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor.

George Kallas, President

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary