

Regular Meeting
12/20/22

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Kallas at 7:33 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Members Present: President George Kallas, Trustee Randy Simpson, Trustee Luke Allen, and Financial Advisor James Howard. Absent: Secretary Phillip Saas and Treasurer Robb Hannen.

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, DC Eric Ermer, Admin. Assistant Robin Youngberg, Attorney Megan Lamb, and John Falduto from Sawyer-Falduto.

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 11/15/22 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no changes, Trustee Allen made a motion to approve minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor.

Public Comment: None.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for 11/30/22 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting. As of 11/30/22, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$2,376,377.39. After deposits of \$276,041.82, disbursements of \$249,524.99, the ending balance for those accounts was \$2,402,894.22. The combined balance of the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund, including CD's was \$2,049,040.30, giving a total of all funds of \$4,451,934.52. James Howard then presented his Monthly Financial Report. There being no questions, Trustee Simpson made a motion to accept the Monthly Treasurer's Report and Financial Report, seconded by Trustee Allen. All in favor.

John Falduto from Sawyer-Falduto gave a presentation on financial investment services they can provide to the District, and how they can earn more money without taking additional risk, but maximizing opportunity.

Chief's Report:

Chief Evans summarized the Alliance Special Operations and Multi-Company training activities since last month. In addition, he also highlighted some recent emergency responses since last month.

Chief Evans gave an update on the fleet, stating that C31 has been delivered and in service. M31 is now in service and responding to calls. New E31 now has an August 2023 expected delivery date, and the graphics proofs have been approved.

Chief Evans then updated the Board on the new Air Cascade System, and the SAFER Grant.

New full-time Firefighter testing is complete, and the Final Eligibility Register is posted. The first candidate was given a conditional offer of employment, which she accepted, so the next steps will be the background check, polygraph and physical.

Promotional testing for Lieutenant is underway, with the Chief and Seniority Points being posted. The Ascertained Merit points will be posted next. Oral interviews and assessment center are in January.

Chief Evans next spoke about a recent downtown development meeting at the Winfield Park District. He then informed the Board about the Community Emergency Services and Support Act (CESSA), including the central receiving facility, the location of that facility and how that impacts the SAFE-T Law.

Station #32 will temporarily be housing a SWAT vehicle for a short period of time.

Attorney's Report: No report.

Old Business: None.

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

New Business: Annual Tax Levy Ordinance No. 2022-344 was previously discussed in the Public Hearing. There being no further questions, Trustee Allen made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-344 as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

The Board then discussed Ordinance No. 2022-345, adopting the MABAS Intergovernmental Agreement. There being no discussion, Trustee Simpson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-345, seconded by Trustee Allen. All in favor.

The Board received a draft copy of the Healy, Bender, Patton & Been Architect contract. After discussion, Trustee Allen made a motion to accept the contract subject to attorney final approval, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote

Chief Evans asked the Board to give thought to the possibility of hiring one more full-time firefighter/paramedic in the near future to float between shifts and provide relief with regard to the amount of overtime that is currently being experienced with two employees off on worker's comp.

The Board reviewed the proposal for the purchase of an additional new ambulance, which will be identical to the one recently purchased. There being no question, Trustee Allen made a motion to approve the proposal as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

There were no additional items on the surplus list to approve.

Payment of Bills: The monthly bill list for December was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$92,868.65. Trustee Simpson made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Other Business: None.

Public Comment: None

There being nothing further for discussion, Trustee Allen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

George Kallas, President

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary