

Regular Meeting
3/21/23

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Kallas at 7:34 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

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

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, DC Eric Ermer, Admin. Assistant Robin Youngberg, Attorney Joe Miller, and Financial Advisor James Howard (via Zoom).

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 2/21/23 and Closed Session 2/21/23 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no changes, Trustee Saas made a motion to approve both sets of minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor.

Public Comment: None.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for 2/28/23 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting. As of 2/28/23, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$2,003,471.02. After deposits of \$62,946.49, disbursements of \$448,982.40, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,617,435.11. The combined balance of the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund, including CD's was \$2,050,283.16, giving a total of all funds of \$3,667,718.27. James Howard then presented his Monthly Financial Report. After discussion, Trustee Simpson made a motion to accept the Monthly Treasurer's Report and Financial Report, seconded by Trustee Allen. All in favor by roll call vote.

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.

Service anniversaries included Lt. Pete Daly reached 43 years total time; FF/PM Charlie Gorgan, FF/PM Anthony Williams and FF/PM Bob Wangles completed 2 years; FF/PM Tom Maish and Craig Whitney both reached 4 years.

Chief Evans gave an update on the fleet, New E31 still expected in August 2023, new ambulance expected in late 2024 and New Tender Committee has begun meeting.

Chief Evans then stated that the new Air Cascade System is in service. The 2019 FEMA SCBA Grant was recently audited with zero outstanding issues, and candidates are being contacted following the award of the SAFER Grant.

Two new candidates are now on shift, and the Lieutenant's Final Promotional List has been posted, with FF/PM Matt Smith, FF/PM Andrew Martin and FF/PM Seth Lamb.

Preparations for the new VOIP phone system are underway.

The administration continues to meet with the architects on a bi-weekly basis. Chief Evans stated that the District had a recent OSHA visit, with minor items being noted, and the downstairs locker room project is nearing completion.

DC Ermer expressed to the Board that the administration would like to show a gesture of appreciation to the firefighting staff, who have all been working a tremendous amount of overtime, keeping them away from their families for days at a time. He stated that he would like to gift each firefighting member a gift card for a restaurant so that each member can have an evening out with their spouse for a nice dinner. The Board was in support of that idea.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Miller informed the Board that the Governor signed the Paid Leave for All Workers Act, giving qualifying part-time employees paid time off after working a certain number of hours. In addition, he spoke about the Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act and what that entails. He also spoke about the Family Bereavement Leave Act for employees who are FMLA eligible that went into effect on January 1, 2023.

Old Business: None.

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

New Business: None.

Payment of Bills: The monthly bill list for February was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$171,683.00. Trustee Saas made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Simpson. Motion carried by roll call vote.

President Kallas made a motion to move into Closed Session to discuss the employment and compensation and/or benefits for a specific employee, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor. The Open Session was adjourned to Closed Session at 8:05 p.m.

(Closed Session)

Open Session was resumed at 8:15 p.m.

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

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, DC Eric Ermer, Admin. Assistant Robin Youngberg, and Attorney Joe Miller.

Other Business: None.

Public Comment: None.

There being nothing further for discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Hannen. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

George Kallas, President

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary