

Regular Meeting
4/21/20

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

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

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, and Attorney Bernie Weiler.

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 3/17/20 were distributed prior to the meeting. Trustee Simpson made a motion to approve the 3/17/20 Regular Meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: None.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for 3/31/20 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting. As of 3/31/20, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$1,428,029.70. After deposits of \$75,008.65, disbursements of \$243,304.35, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,259,734.00. The combined balance of the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund, including CD's was \$1,811,995.03, giving a total of all funds of \$3,071,729.03. There being no questions, Trustee Simpson a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor.

Chief's Report: Chief Evans gave an update on the cancellation of Alliance training, and discussed some of the call activity over the last month. He recognized the Lt. Timothy Roman for achieving 19 years of total service with the District, and also informed the Board of a recent resignation from our newest full-time firefighter/paramedic. In order to fill that vacancy, a conditional offer was made to the #1 candidate on the eligibility register, and he is currently going through the hiring process.

Chief Evans informed the Board that the ETSB has put out some correspondence stating that there is an agreement the District will need to sign with them, and he will signing that by May 15, 2020. He also spoke about an agenda item on the Finance Committee for the County about the possibility of property taxes normally due on May 1st being deferred to September 1st. He then gave several update with respect to COVID-19 and gave accolades to the staff on their diligent efforts to frequently sanitize the station in order keep themselves and others at the station safe.

Attorney's Report: With regard to the tax deferment, Attorney Weiler was unsure how big of an impact that was going to be, but the Board needs to be conscious of it because there will be a need for operating reserves. If it looks like the District's process is going to be substantially delayed, the District has some financial avenues that have been used in the past, like Tax Anticipation Warrants. He also brought Brandon from his office with him, who gave an update on the State addressing some of the critical employee issues with respect to unemployment, worker's compensation and the Family Medical Leave Act. Brandon also talked about the Federal Government passing the Corona Response Act on March 18, 2020 and how that will

impact the District as well as the District's options as first responders. With respect to worker's compensation, IRMA is asking for documentation for any contact where there isn't PPE being properly used.

Old Business:

None.

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

New Business: Reconciliation Ordinance No. 332 was provided to the Board prior to the meeting. Trustee Kallas made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 332, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote. Salary Ordinance No. 333 was also provided to the Board prior to the meeting. Trustee Simpson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 333, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor by roll call vote. The Annual Budget & Appropriation Ordinance No. 334 was previously distributed and discussed in the Public Hearing just prior to this meeting. Trustee Kallas made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 334, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor by roll call vote.

Chief Evans suggested an amendment to one of the current ambulance fees and provided Ambulance Billing Ordinance No. 335 as a replacement. After discussion, Trustee Simpson made a motion to table that ordinance for the time being, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor. Chief Evans then discussed his Post March 17, 2020 Referendum Report, followed by discussion, which resulted in the Board agreeing to have Chief Evans and President Klage talk to the developer to see what he has in mind with regard to the station on Winfield Road and come back to the Board next month.

Chief Evans spoke about Resolution No. 2020-R-101 Authorizing the Exclusion of Emergency Responders of the Winfield Fire Protection District from Certain Provisions of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act. After discussion, Trustee Simpson made a motion to table Resolution No. 2020-R-101 until further information is disseminated by the government, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor.

Payment of Bills: The monthly bill list for April was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$105,318.20. There being no questions, Trustee Simpson made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor.

Other Business: None.

There being no further business, Trustee Kallas made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Mark Klage, President

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary