

Rochester Fire Protection District

700 East Main Street, Rochester, Illinois

Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2017

I. Call to order

President Suerdieck called to order the regular meeting of the Rochester Fire Protection District at 7:00 p.m. on May 17, 2017 at the Rochester Firehouse.

II. Roll call

John Fox conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: President Suerdieck, Trustee Fairchild, Trustee Cravens, Trustee Riggs and Trustee Fox. Also present was Chief Greg Surbeck, Deputy Chief Archer and Denise Garceau. Eleven members of the public were present.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Meeting minutes from the meeting on April 12, 2017 were presented. Trustee Cravens made a motion to approve the minutes, second by President Suerdieck. Unanimously approved.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report was made by Trustee Riggs, second by President Suerdieck. Unanimously approved.

V. Chief's Report

April 25th – MABAS/Sang. Co Chiefs meeting (2 members)

April 28-29th - FDIC

May 2nd – Siren test

May 9th – Firefighters Memorial (2 members)

April Calls:

15 - EMS

9 - Fire (3 automatic & smoke alarm, 1 trash fire, 3 garage, 1 lockout, 1 powerline)

4 - Car accident

28 Total calls

6 Training sessions

1 Special duty

Motion to approve Chief's Report by Trustee Riggs, second by Trustee Cravens. Unanimously approved.

VI. Member or Public Comments

Sam Sexton asked what the balance is on the fire station. Trustee Cravens replied that approximately \$235,000 is left to pay off the mortgage.

President Suerdieck presented Mark Rentschler, who retired this year, with a plaque for 21 years of service.

President Suerdieck welcomed the new trustee to the Board, Dennis Leonard.

VII. Old Business

None

VIII. New Business

1. Election of officers

Trustee Cravens stated that with the new board present an election of officers needs to be completed. The first position is President. Trustee Cravens nominates Trustee Riggs, second by Trustee Fairchild. Roll call was taken: Trustee Cravens – yes, Trustee Riggs – yes, Trustee Fairchild – yes, Trustee Fox – yes and Trustee Leonard - yes. Trustee Riggs is the President.

Nominations for Secretary – Trustee Cravens nominates Trustee Fox, Trustee Leonard nominates Trustee Fairchild. Roll call was taken: Trustee Riggs – votes for Trustee Fox, Trustee Cravens – votes for Trustee Fox, Trustee Fox – votes for himself, Trustee Fairchild – votes for himself and Trustee Leonard – votes for Trustee Fairchild. Trustee Fox is the Secretary.

Nominations for Treasurer – Trustee Riggs nominates Trustee Cravens, second by Trustee Leonard. Roll call was taken: Trustee Riggs – yes, Trustee Cravens – yes, Trustee Fox – yes, Trustee Fairchild – yes and Trustee Leonard - yes. Trustee Cravens is the Treasurer.

2. Replacement of truck tires.

Chief Surbeck stated prices for Engine 1 tires were 50% higher than Tanker 3.

3. Adopt a Tentative Budget Ordinance 2017/18

Trustee Cravens stated we need to approve and adopt a final budget prior to August 31st. A preliminary tentative budget will be posted and was distributed to the Trustees. Trustee Cravens makes a motion to accept Ordinance RFPD02, second by Trustee Fox. Roll call was taken: President Riggs – yes, Trustee Cravens – yes, Trustee Fox – yes, Trustee Leonard – yes and Trustee Fairchild – yes. Motion passes.

4. Special meeting

A special meeting is needed to act on the 2 bids received to fix the fire truck. The meeting will be Saturday May 20, 2017 at 9:00 am.

President Riggs presented outgoing President Suerdieck with a plaque to thank him for his service.

IX. Closed Session

None

X. Upcoming Meeting

A special meeting will be Saturday May 20, 2017 at 9:00 am.

The next scheduled meeting of the board is Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Cravens, second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Minutes submitted by: John Fox, Secretary

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