

Rochester Fire Protection District

700 East Main Street, Rochester, Illinois

Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2018

I. Call to order

President Riggs called to order the regular meeting of the Rochester Fire Protection District at 7:00 p.m. on April 11, 2018 at the Rochester Firehouse.

II. Roll call

Trustee Fox conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: President Riggs, Trustee Fairchild, Trustee Fox, Trustee Cravens and Trustee Leonard. Also present was Deputy Chief John Archer and three members of the public.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Meeting minutes from the meeting on March 14, 2018 were presented. Trustee Cravens made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Trustee Fox. Unanimously approved.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Trustee Cravens presented the Treasurer's report for April 11th. Trustee Fox made a motion to accept the financial statements, second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved.

V. Chief's Report

March 20th - Active Shooter Drill attended with Rochester PD – Chatham High School (2 members attended: J. Archer & K. Polley)

March 26th – Pipeline Emergency Preparedness Drill (2 members attended: J.Archer & M. Sunderland)

April 3rd – Siren Test

March Calls:

33 - EMS

17 - Fire (8 brush/controlled burn, 2 structure, 2 vehicle, 2 odor and 1 report of smoke,

50 Total calls 1 pole down and 1 automatic alarm)

5 Training sessions

3 Special duty

Trustee Leonard made a motion to approve the Chief's report, second by Trustee Fox. Unanimously approved.

VI. Old Business

Squad 1 – Deputy Chief had a couple inquiries. One was from a contractor in New York and someone from a fire department in Oklahoma. Both seemed interested. The price change seemed to generate more serious prospects. Deputy Chief Archer will follow up.

VII. New Business

Landscape bids: 3 bids were received. Trustee Leonard made a motion to go with the lowest bid. Second by Trustee Fox. Trustee Leonard – yes, Trustee Cravens -yes, President Riggs – yes, Trustee Fox – yes and Trustee Fairchild – yes. The bid was awarded to John and Deb’s Lawn Care at \$90/cutting.

Pager quotes: Kirk Polley put together the bids. Trustee Fairchild made a motion to purchase the pagers, second by Trustee Leonard. Trustee Leonard – yes, Trustee Cravens – yes, President Riggs – yes, Trustee Fairchild – yes and Trustee Fox – yes.

Junior Fire Fighter Program – It allows young adults to enter the program to train and get some experience before becoming a full member. Trustee Leonard made a motion to approve the Junior Fire Fighter program, second by Trustee Fairchild. Unanimously approved.

VIII. Closed Session

Trustee Cravens made a motion to go into Executive Session 5 ILCS120/2 c1 and 2c5. Second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved.

IX. Return from Closed Session

The regular meeting opened at 7:38 pm. Trustee Fox took roll call: Trustee Leonard, Trustee Fox, Trustee Fairchild, Trustee Cravens and President Riggs were present.

Trustee Fairchild made a motion to increase the salary of Training Coordinator Kirk Polley to \$250/week. Second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved.

X Public Comment

None.

XI. Upcoming Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the board is Wednesday May 9, 2018.

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Leonard second by Trustee Fox. Unanimously approved.

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