

# ***Rochester Fire Protection District***

*700 East Main Street, Rochester, Illinois*

## ***Meeting Minutes***

June 13, 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 June 13, 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 Chief John Archer and six members of the public.

### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Meeting minutes from the meeting on May 9, 2018 and May 16, 2018 were presented. Trustee Cravens made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved. In reference to the Special meeting minutes of May 16, 2018, Trustee Fairchild would like to clarify that he did not vote in the hiring of the Chief, nor was he given an opportunity to express his opinion. He stated he will support Chief Archer. Trustee Cravens made a motion to approve the May 16, 2018 minutes as amended, second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved.

### **IV. Treasurer's Report**

Trustee Cravens presented the Treasurer's report for June 13th. Trustee Fox made a motion to accept the financial statements, second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved.

### **V. Chief's Report**

May 25th - Elmcroft/Wyndcrest Appreciation lunch – 7 members attended

June 4th – Chicago FD Line of Duty Death Funeral Ceremony – 2 members attended

June 5th - Siren test

June 7-10<sup>th</sup> U of I Fire Service Institute Fire Collee Training, Champaign – 4 members attended

May Calls:

25 - EMS

10 - Fire (1 brush, 2 lines down, 1 smoke alarm, 2 gas leaks, 1 gas odor, 2 mutual aid, and 1 ditch fire)

35 Total calls

3 Training sessions

3 Special duty

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

**VI. Old Business**

Floor scrubber – Tabled till next month to get more information.

**VII. New Business**

Insurance – Trustee Cravens made a recommendation to stay with the current insurance vendors and to bid out the insurance once in every five years. Trustee Fairchild made a motion to stay with the current insurance vendors, second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved.

**Tentative Budget and Appropriation**

Trustee Cravens presented a Tentative Budget to the Board. Trustee Cravens made a motion to approve Ordinance RFPD 2018-1 Tentative Budget and Appropriation, second by Trustee Fox. Trustee Fox took roll call: President Riggs – yes, Trustee Leonard – yes, Trustee Cravens – yes, Trustee Fox – yes and Trustee Fairchild – yes. Motion passed.

Capital Equipment Plan – President Riggs distributed a Capital Equipment Plan put together by Chief Archer, which lists the vehicles, age, estimated cost of replacement and target date to replace. The plan allows us to hold onto our savings until vehicles need to be replaced.

**Prevailing Wage Ordinance RFPD 2018-2.**

Trustee Fox made a motion to accept Prevailing Wage Ordinance RFPD 2018-2, second by Trustee Leonard. Unanimously approved.

**VIII Closed Session**

None

**IX. Public Comment**

A member of the public would like to acknowledge that the members have the support for Chief Archer. The member has worked with the other 2 candidates and believes the Board made the right decision in hiring Chief Archer. There have been lots of improvements to the department and she feels the department is headed in the right direction.

Trustee Leonard appreciates the members standing up for Chief Archer and believes he is the right fit for the department. Congratulations Chief Archer.

A member of the public stated Chief Archer has made a lot of positive changes to the department.

Trustee Fox was impressed by the support the Chief has from the department in the short time he was Interim Chief.

Trustee Fairchild stated the success of Chief Archer will be the department's success.

A member of the public said the morale is high. We are back on a positive ground.

A member of the public said Chief Archer is a well-respected businessman. He believes the department is moving in a positive direction.

**Upcoming Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the board is Wednesday July 11, 2018.

**XII. Adjournment**

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

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