

MINUTES

Special Board Meeting Monday, January 26, 2022 @ 6:00 PM Station 1 – 34W500 Carl Lee Rd., St. Charles, IL 60174

- Call to Order President LeBlanc called the monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fox River & Countryside Fire Rescue District to order at 6:02 PM. Public access was provided by GoToMeeting Video Conferencing.
 - a. Roll Call

Present: 5 Trustees – Karr, LeBlanc, McManus, Parthun (Remote), Wegman (Remote) Absent: 0 Also Present: Fire Chief Bert Lancaster, James Howard Gov. Accounting LLC, Anthony Miceli Speer Financial, Tracy Dunklau Administrative Assistant, Staff, and Residents

- b. Pledge of Allegiance: President LeBlanc led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Public Comment: None
- 3. Review of District Debt Restructuring and consideration of submitting a Bond Referendum question on the June 28, 2022 Election ballot
 - James Howard and Anthony Miceli presented a G/O Bond Referendum option with several different financial models. The Board discussed the pros and cons of both.
 - Chief Lancaster reported on the vehicle replacement schedule, staffing needs, and the possibility of building a third fire station within the next few years.
 - Trustee McManus strongly suggested hiring a marketing firm to assist the District with Public Education and volunteered with President LeBlanc to research potential firms.
 - After the presentation and discussion, the Trustees came to the following consensus: 3 Support the G/O Bond, 1 Bond initially supports both, 1 Obstained
 - Trustee Parthun will work with Chief Lancaster and James on financial models and then will coordinate information with Trustees LeBlanc and McManus before the next meeting.
 - The Board determined that another Special Meeting will be held prior to the February 28, 2022, Monthly Board Meeting.
- 4. Closed Session None
- 5. Adjournment: A motion was made by Trustee LeBlanc and seconded by Trustee Karr to adjourn the Special Meeting at 7:44 PM.

On voice vote: All AYES were heard. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Dunklau, Administrative Assistant

John Karr, Secretary