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MINUTES

Monthly Board Meeting
Monday, February 28, 2022 @ 6:00 PM
Station 1 – 34W500 Carl Lee Rd., St. Charles, IL 60174

1. Call to Order – Trustee Wegman called the monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fox River & Countryside Fire Rescue District to order at 6:04 PM.
 - a. Roll Call
Present: 4 Trustees – Karr, McManus, Parthun, Wegman Absent: 1 LeBlanc
Also Present: Fire Chief Bert Lancaster, Attorney Kenneth Shepro, James Howard with Gov. Accounting LLC, Tracy Dunklau Administrative Assistant, Staff
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance: Trustee Wegman led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance
2. Public Comment: None
3. Reports:
 - a. Financial Report – James Howard with Gov. Accounting, LLC provided the January 2022 monthly financial reports.
 - b. Chief’s Report – Chief Lancaster presented the December 2021 District detail report
 - Update on District new hires - Amacher, Blanco, Oeltgen, Gruca
 - New Stryker - Power load system will be installed on 03/08/2022
 - Station repairs and maintenance for both stations - generators, light fixtures & air ducts
 - c. Attorney’s Report – Attorney Shepro reported on a Fire Recovery settlement case which appears to small to pursue. He also discussed the possibility of Kane County putting a tax referendum on the ballot in June or November. At Shepro’s request Trustee Parthun commented on the pending Foreign Fire Tax legislation.
 - d. President’s Report – None at this time
 - e. Trustees’ Report – None at this time
4. Consent Agenda
A motion was made by Trustee Parthun and seconded by Trustee Karr to approve the consent agenda as presented.
On roll call, the vote was:
Yes: 4 Karr, McManus, Parthun, Wegman **No: 0** **Absent: 1** LeBlanc
The Motion Carried
5. Old Business (for discussion and/or action)
 - a. A motion was made by Trustee Parthun and seconded by Trustee Karr to submit a Bond Referendum question for the amount of \$13,000,000 dollars to be submitted to the electors of the District on the June 28, 2022 election ballot.
The Board discussed the financial model and directed the staff to prepare the exact wording of the ballot question at the March 21, 2022 Board Meeting.
On roll call the vote was:
Yes: 3 Karr, McManus, Parthun **No: 1** Wegman **Absent: 1** LeBlanc
The Motion Carried

- b. A motion was made by Trustee McManus and seconded by Trustee Parthun to authorize Chief Lancaster to negotiate and execute a contract for professional services with Mueller Communications not to exceed \$60,000.

On roll call, the vote was:

Yes: 3 Karr, McManus, Parthun

No: 1 Wegman

Absent: 1 LeBlanc

The Motion Carried

6. New Business (for discussion and/or action)

- a. A motion was made by Trustee Parthun and seconded by Trustee Karr to Approve Resolution 2021-01 Declaring Command Vehicle 1803 Surplus and Authorizing the Sale of the Vehicle.

On roll call the vote was:

Yes: 4 Karr, McManus, Parthun, Wegman

No: 0

Absent: 1 LeBlanc

The Motion Carried

- b. A motion was made by Trustee Wegman and seconded by Trustee Parthun to approve agreement for professional services with Brian Zabel & Associates P.C.

On roll call the vote was:

Yes: 4 Karr, McManus, Parthun, Wegman

No: 0

Absent: 1 LeBlanc

The Motion Carried

Trustee Wegman resigned as Treasurer and the Board held an election to fill the position.

A motion was made by Trustee Wegman to elect Trustee Parthun to Treasurer:

On roll call the vote was:

Yes: 4 Karr, McManus, Parthun, Wegman

No: 0

Absent: 1 LeBlanc

The Motion Carried

7. Closed Session – None

8. Adjournment: A motion was made by Trustee Wegman to adjourn the Monthly Meeting at 6:42 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Dunklau, Administrative Assistant

John Karr, Secretary