



Fox River & Countryside Fire/Rescue District

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Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Monday, August 28, 2017 at 7:00 PM

Station #1 – Meeting Room

34W500 Carl Lee Road, St. Charles, IL 60174

1. Call to Order – The monthly board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fox River & Countryside Fire/Rescue District was called to order at 7:02 PM, Monday, August 28, 2017 in the Meeting Room located at Station #1 @ 34W500 Carl Lee Road, St Charles, IL 60174 by President, Robert Handley
 - a. Roll Call:
Present: 5 Handley, Dunham, Mollenhauer, LeBlanc, Wegman
Absent: 0
Also Present: Chief Nixon, Attorney Ken Shepro, James Howard of Gov. Accounting LLC.,
Administrative Assistant Tracy Dunklau, Citizen Nick McManus
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance: President Handley led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of our Country
2. Citizens Comments – Nick McManus presented the Board of Trustees with a written report of recommendations/ideas for the future of the District. President Handley thanked Mr. McManus
3. Reports – Committee Report
 - a. Financial Report - James Howard, Gov. Accounting, LLC gave the monthly financial presentation. The District has had a very good first quarter, ambulance billing is up and acknowledged its good news that Springfield did not freeze property taxes. For detailed financial information refer to attached report.
 - b. Chief's Report - CPR classes were held for Wayne Police Department, Engine 1811 repairs have been completed, the reserve engine has multiple maintenance issues, 5 new part-time members were hired on August 7th, staffing shortages continue to affect the operations of both stations. A discussion ensued regarding the failure of the referendum. The complete Fire Chief's Report can be found on the District website.
 - c. Attorney's Report – The IL Dept. of Revenue granted our application for Tax Exemption and a Certificate of Error will be forwarded upon completion. Department of Labor lawsuit has been pushed back again to November. Maxxam Partners, LLC has filed a federal lawsuit against Kane County. Attorney Shepro introduced a possible donation of a historical fire truck to the Firefighters Association.
 - d. President's Report – None

4. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Meeting Minutes and Monthly Invoices: A motion was made by Trustee Dunham and seconded by Trustee Wegman to approve the Meeting Minutes as presented:

On roll call the vote was:

Yes: 5 Handley, Dunham, Mollenhauer, LeBlanc, Wegman

No: 0 Absent: 0

THE MOTION CARRIED

5. Discussion and/or Action

- a. An Ordinance Prohibiting False and Nuisance Alarms and Regulating Alarm Systems within the Fox River & Countryside Fire/Rescue District: A discussion ensued regarding an ordinance that would penalize negligence. Chief Nixon will work with Attorney Shepro to draft such an ordinance.

- b. Approval of District Farm Lease (Northwest corner of Crane & Bolcum Roads): A motion was made by Trustee Dunham and seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to approve the District Farm Lease as presented:

On roll call the vote was:

Yes: 5 Handley, Dunham, Mollenhauer, LeBlanc, Wegman

No: 0 Absent: 0

THE MOTION CARRIED

- c. Ordinance Regulating Pyrotechnic Displays – Chief Nixon discussed the issue of obtaining proper permit. Attorney Shepro reported that the state statute is very clear in giving the Fire Chief the power to decide what is safe for the community and will draft a letter to be used for the various municipalities. The Chief will be working with Campton Hills directly.

6. Closed Session – None

7. Adjournment – A motion was made by Trustee Mollenhauer and seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to adjourn the August 28, 2017 meeting at 8:59 PM. The motion passed unanimously.