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MINUTES

Monthly Board Meeting
Monday, September 19, 2022 @ 6:05 PM
Station 1 – 34W500 Carl Lee Rd., St. Charles, IL 60174

1. 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 6:05 PM.
 - a. Roll Call
Present: 5 Trustees – Karr, LeBlanc, McManus, Parthun, Wegman **Absent: 0**
Also Present: Attorney Kenneth Shepro, James Howard with Gov. Accounting LLC, Anthony Miceli with Speer Financial via remote access, 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. One Year Recognition Ceremony – Moved to November Meeting
4. Reports:
 - a. Financial Report – James Howard with Gov. Accounting, LLC provided the August 2022 monthly financial reports via remote access. Trustee Karr asked about training budget and the Chief explained there are three Firefighters currently in class. The Chief also explained the process for training personnel to drive all fire apparatus.
 - b. Chief's Report – Fire Chief Lancaster provided the Board of Trustees with the Chief's Report and pointed out ambulance calls increased again over last year showing the third ambulance would be useful. He reported on the successful United Fall Fest Pub Ed event and congratulated Black Shift on receiving the Call of Month from Delnor Hospital.
 - c. Attorney's Report – Attorney Shepro reported that the first day to circulate petitions for the 2023 Consolidated Election is tomorrow, September 20th. Two Trustee positions will be on the ballot. Candidate packets are available at the District office or on-line.
 - d. President's Report – President LeBlanc commented that the Village of Campton Hills has agreed to a contract with the Campton Township Highway Commissioner for street maintenance within the village.
 - e. Trustees' Report – Trustee Wegman and Trustee Karr request a Closed Session. Trustee Wegman reminded the Board to check their personal calendars for 2023 as the dates will be adopted at the December Board Meeting.
5. a. Consent Agenda

By unanimous consent, President LeBlanc ordered the Consent Agenda be moved to after the Closed Session.
6. Old Business: (for discussion and/or action)
Anthony Miceli with Speer Financial reported on the bond sale process that took place earlier in the day. The winning bid was Wintrust Bank. He discussed funding, escrow investments, and retiring obligations and timing of spending of funds. Deposits will be: \$3,500,000 to escrow and \$2,500,000 for projects.

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

- a. President Kristin LeBlanc announced that the next item of business before the Board of Trustees would be Ordinance 2022-03 providing for the issue of the District's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022, approved by voters at the June 28, 2022, general primary election, and that the Board of Trustees would consider the adoption of Ordinance 2022-03 providing for the issue of said bonds and the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest thereon. President LeBlanc also summarized the pertinent terms of said proposal and said bonds, including the length of maturity, rates of interest, purchase price and tax levy for said bonds.

A Motion was made by Trustee Parthun and seconded by Trustee McManus to approve Ordinance 2022-03.

On roll call the vote was:

Yes: 5 Karr, LeBlanc, McManus, Parthun, Wegman **No: 0** **Absent: 0**

The Motion Carried

- b. Approval of Resolution 2022-02 Purchase of Ambulance and additional Ambulance Chassis was presented and discussed. The Board of Trustees came to a consensus to direct staff to prepare a Resolution in conformity with the intergovernmental purchase and table the vote to the Special Meeting set for Friday, September 23, 2022, @ 4:30 PM at Station 1 – Meeting Room.

- c. A motion was made by Trustee Parthun and seconded by Trustee McManus to approve Resolution 2022-02 Donating Surplus 2010 Ford Expedition

On roll call, the vote was:

Yes: 5 Karr, LeBlanc, McManus, Parthun, Wegman **No: 0** **Absent: 0**

The Motion Carried

8. Closed Session

A motion was made by Trustee Parthun and seconded by Trustee McManus to adjourn to closed session at 6:55 PM for the purpose of consideration of pending litigation and litigation which may be imminent or probable as permitted by the Open Meetings Act Section 2 (c)(11)

On roll call the vote was:

Yes: 5 Karr, LeBlanc, McManus, Parthun, Wegman **No: 0** **Absent: 0**

The Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 6:55 PM

Meeting returned to open session at 7:50 PM

5a Consent Agenda - Continued

A motion was made by Trustee Parthun and seconded by Trustee Wegman to approve the monthly invoices with the adjustment to the Mueller Communications Invoices in the amount of \$5549.18

On roll call on the remaining items, the vote was:

Yes: 5 Karr, LeBlanc, McManus, Parthun, Wegman **No: 0** **Absent: 0**

The Motion Carried

A motion was made by Trustee Leblanc and seconded by Trustee Karr to amend the August 15, 2022, Monthly Board Meeting minutes: Striking the word “used” and Ratifying the Emergency Engine Purchase at the August 15, 2022 meeting due to limited appropriate vehicles being available in a timely manner due to supply chain constraints.

On roll call on the remaining items, the vote was:

Yes: 4 Karr, LeBlanc, McManus, Parthun **Present: 1** Wegman **No: 0** **Absent: 0**

The Motion Carried

9. Adjournment: A motion was made by Trustee LeBlanc and seconded by Trustee Wegman to adjourn the Monthly Meeting at 8:01 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Dunklau, Administrative Assistant

John Karr, Secretary