

**SUGAR GROVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
TRUSTEE'S MEETING
OPEN MINUTES**

DATE: January 21, 2013
TIME: 7:00 pm
PLACE: Sugar Grove Fire Station

Board of Trustees: Christopher Ruchaj, President
John Lehman, Secretary
David Linden, Treasurer
Scott Stalcup, Trustee
Mike Fagel, Trustee

GUESTS: Attorney Tim Hoppa

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call – Absent: Trustee Stalcup, Trustee Fagel (deployed)

Approval of Minutes-

It was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Linden to:

‘Approve the December 17, 2012 open session meeting minutes’

Roll Call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Ruchaj to:

‘Approve the December 17, 2012 closed session meeting minutes and keep them closed’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Treasurers Report –

Balance Sheet – Operations Account - \$2,431,930.38, Operations Account – \$525,181.36, for a total of \$2,957,111.74. Budget percentage report – at 98.1% of income – Expenditures at 56%, 11% under budget.

Linden questioned the % amount for 11-532. Did not calculate, will correct and send out new copy.

It was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Ruchaj to:

‘Approve the Account Balance Sheet and Budget as written, dated December 31, 2012’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Expenditures – Chase Checking Account - \$141,280.62, HRA Account - \$1,544.17. Total Expenditures \$142,824.79.

It was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Ruchaj to:

‘Approve the Expenditures Report dated Dec 1 – Dec 31, 2012 in the amount of \$142,824.79’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Consent Agenda Items – Global – \$6076.55, Chicago International Trucks – \$2250.84, Youngren’s – \$1143.00, and Turnoutrental – \$3280.00.

Global – Annual maintenance, parts and repair for ladder truck.

Chicago International Trucks – Medic unit, turbo out.

Youngren’s – Heat and air maintenance – problems with HVAC.

Turnoutrental – Lease gear for 6 months – new recruits attending academy.

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Lehman to:

‘Approve the Consent Agenda for January 2013 for Items listed, Global, Chicago International Trucks, Youngren’s and Turnoutrental’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustees report –

Ruchaj stated that they met with Sean Michels and Brent Eichelberger. Talked about new businesses, Interchange at 47 and I-88, and the TIF District. Village would like District to write a letter of support on the Interchange. Village looking into Hi Speed Optics with TIF.

Report from Chief and Command –

Vehicles and Equipment

The new AFFR truck is still undergoing the needed repairs in house. The paint was buffed out by duty personnel and a new graphics package is being designed. Repairs on 921 and 951 reported during consent agenda.

Operations

Deputy Chief Perkins handed out a report to Trustees. Still a work in progress.

Fire Commissioners

Commission has a meeting on Jan 31, 2013 to discuss the new hire eligibility list to expire in June.

Budget/Finance

Working on fiscal 2013-2014 Budget

Misc.

Trustee election candidates are:

- 1) David Linden
- 2) Cheryl Wojciechowski
- 3) John Guddendorf

Montgomery brought in plan for their TIF District. Encompasses all industrial area in the Montgomery Fire District. Bent the ear of the steering committee with concerns that some of the TIF area is prime land. Chief will be more vocal throughout this process.

Old Business –

Tri Com – Delayed for about a month, SGFD needs new radio site. Miner been tagged to develop. Dispatch agreement still in draft form – issues regarding cost of upgrades, monthly fees and use of data and radio system. Trustee Lehman would like to see a simple format: current expenses and services with Montgomery and Tri-com expenses and services. What we will lose if we give system to Tri-com – what is tradeoff. Lehman stated to put insurance expense on there as well. Ruchaj stated to put this on next month's agenda.

Chief would like direction in negotiations. This will be discussed in closed session.

New Business –

Trustee Ruchaj stated the agenda will be amended to let Mr. John Piemonte discuss bond refunding.

Mr. John Piemonte discussed his company 'Baird' and that they issue more bonds than anyone in the US. Company has been around since 1919. Mr. Piemonte stated that he can save the district over \$170,000, which is 8.2% savings. His company will prepare documentation, premarket and sell bonds, work with bond council, amongst other things. Time frame 12 weeks beginning to end. Lehman questioned FPD they work with – not many in Illinois. Lehman questioned local contacts – many municipalities, will give list. Call date is Jan 2014 – can issue bonds, will sit there until call date. Lehman questioned where Baird makes it money. Mr. Piemonte stated underwriting fees and cost of issuance. Ruchaj stated to put this on next month's agenda.

Surplus Equipment – 28 Motorola Radios, and old hose. Will attempt to sell radios. Removed couplings and brass from hose, will salvage.

It was motioned by Ruchaj and seconded by Lehman to:

'Surplus the equipment listed on the Jan 21, 2013 memo. Have Chief sell or dispose at his discretion'.

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Sworn Personnel Rank Structure – table for full board.

Bond requirement for Treasurer – put on Mays agenda for new board.

Sale Lease of Property – this will be discussed in closed session.

It was motioned by Ruchaj and seconded by Linden to:

‘Go into closed session to discuss possible sale/lease of District property’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Ruchaj and seconded by Linden to:

‘Go back into open session’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustee Ruchaj stated no action taken in closed session.

ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

None Heard

Public to Address the Board

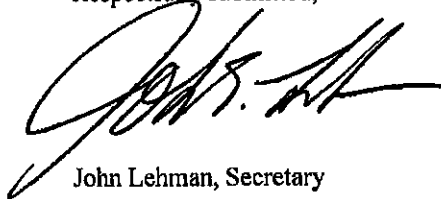
Assistant Chief Parson thanked the Chief and Board of Trustees for the ceremony that took place the other night on his behalf.

At 8:56 it was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Ruchaj to:

‘Adjourn’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,



John Lehman, Secretary



Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary