

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

DATE: June 17, 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 Shawn Flaherty

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call – Ruchaj absent

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Fagel to:
'Have John Lehman as President Pro-tem'

Roll Call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Fagel to:
'Have Cheryl Wojciechowski as Secretary Pro-tem'

Roll Call vote – Motion carried

Approval of Minutes-

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Fagel to:
'Approve May 20, 2013 open session meeting minutes'

Roll Call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Wojciechowski to:
'Approve May 20, 2013 closed session meeting minutes and open them'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Correspondence –

Paul Boecker – Captain from Sugar Grove Fire Protection District, handed in his letter of resignation, effective immediately. Trustee Lehman thanked him for his 13 ½ years, and wished him well.

Treasurers Report –

Tax Revenue received 228,235.53, other revenue received also, for a total of 258,759.23. A budget has not been passed, so the report does not show budgeted amounts.
Operations account - \$1,045,137.80, Construction account - \$527,214.52, total cash on hand - \$1,572,352.32.

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Linden to:
'Approve the May Account Balance and Budget Report dated 05/31/2013 as presented'.

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Expenditures -

Chase Checking - \$285,141.26, HRA \$6,950.18 – for a total of \$292,091.44.

Linden questioned Corkhill Insurance – why there are two payments – Chief explained one is for disability and one is for building and vehicles. Lehman questioned if we always were taking union dues out, Yes. Lehman questioned if IDOR was for payroll taxes, Yes. Fagel questioned the \$7200.00 for Tri-Com, how it compares, Chief stated that they bill on prior years, they received estimated numbers from Montgomery, and this was prorated, since we started in April.

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Wojciechowski to:

‘Approve expenditures in the amount of \$282,091.44, dated May 2013’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustees report –

Fagel stated he is back from Oklahoma City.

Report from Chief and Command –

Operations Report – DC Perkins stated everything is progressing very well.

Attorney’s report –

Flaherty inquired about Budget and Appropriation Hearing- this was published in the Elburn Herald, for next month’s meeting.

Bill to be sign in next 30 days, would create a database, this is for public safety employee benefits act, for injured FFs who meet the criteria for health insurance to be paid for until Medicare eligible.

House Bill 3233, passed through both Houses, it allows non home rule districts to increase ambulance fund from .30 to .40 by referendum. It is not clear about PTEL Counties, where there is a cap. We are a PTEL County. Governor has not signed this yet.

Chief questioned the New Life Safety Code about home sprinklers. Flaherty stated this is something to watch.

Old Business –

Bond Refunding – Kevin McCanna from Speer Financial handed out paperwork to the trustees regarding bond refunding for the station. He discussed the rates, which have been going up, what his company does (they will work for the district); they only get paid (approx. \$7K-\$8K) if the bond issue proceeds, he stated the district will need a bond lawyer, (approx. \$7K-\$9K). Mr. McCanna also stated a Bond Registrar, they will hold proceeds in escrow until Jan 2014, should be obtained (approx. \$1K). He stated that bond insurance is not available anymore, they will do an analysis to see if it is feasible for the district to get a bond rating or sell without a rating (ratings cost about \$8K).

The bond issuance would be roughly \$2,000,000.00, this would payoff old bonds, and all costs of issuance. Fagel questioned what the net would be for the District. Mr. McCanna stated it would reduce the districts debt service by about \$15K a year. This would end in January 2022, the same as it is now. Fagel questioned what the downside is; Mr. McCanna stated the downside is the district can only do this once.

Chief Stated that he contacted Mr. McCanna from Speer Financial because they have worked with the village for the past 17 years, and they are happy with their service.

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Fagel to:

‘Accept the proposal from Speer Financial dated May 16, 2013’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

New Business –

Discussion was held on the 2013-2014 budget. Debt over 227,909.00 anticipated revenue. Budget and Appropriation Ordinance is on file for review, information about reviewing it and the public hearing for next month has been published in the Elburn Herald.

Resolution 2013-02 Prevailing Wages – This has to be done every year.

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Linden to:

‘Adopt Resolution 2013-02 Prevailing Wage and Rates for Laborers’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Fagel to:

‘go into closed session at 7:58pm to discuss negotiations with Local 4748 concerning appointed and tested rank points, discuss possible disciplinary action of an employee, and discuss probable or pending litigation: IDOL prevailing wage investigation’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Linden to:

‘go back into open session at 8:13pm’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

No action was taken in closed session.

It was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Wojciechowski to:

‘Adjourn’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

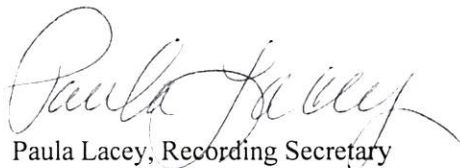
ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Public to Address the Board

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Wojciechowski
Secretary, Pro-tem



Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary