

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

DATE: May 19, 2014
TIME: 7:00 pm
PLACE: Sugar Grove Fire Station

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

GUESTS: Attorney Shawn Flaherty

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call – Trustees Wojciechowski and Fagel absent.

Approval of Minutes-

It was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Linden to:

‘Approve Appropriation Hearing March 17, 2014 open session meeting minutes’

Roll Call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Linden to:

‘Approve April 21, 2014 open session meeting minutes’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Linden to:

‘Approve April 21, 2014 closed session meeting minutes and keep them closed’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Treasurers Report –

Operations Account – \$1,584,813.42, Construction Account - \$532,760.34, Total \$2,117,573.76
5% under budget without truck money included.

It was motioned by Lehman and seconded by Linden to:

‘Accept the April 2014 Budget Percentage Report and Balance Sheet’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Expenditures –

Chase Checking - \$189,878.68, Chase HRA - \$8,009.34 - Total expenditures \$197,888.02.

It was motioned by Ruchaj and seconded by Lehman to:

‘Approve the Expenditures for April 2014 in the amount of \$197,888.02’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustees report –

Lehman stated that this is his last meeting, it has been a pleasure serving with the trustees of the district. Lehman requested that the district go back and look at the last year’s record of attendance on the trustees, because when you have trustees that are not in attendance, they do a disservice to the community.

Report from Chief and Command –

Trustees have Chiefs report, he stated he is changing the narrative of the report. Most of it will be verbal. Trustee Fagel (by email) questioned the 900 acres that the Village is annexing, and if it will be in the Sugar Grove Fire District. Lehman stated that the fire chiefs (Elburn, N. Aurora, Montgomery and Big Rock) should have a meeting and just say that if this falls within the municipality, to make it fair, it should be something to consider. Chief Perkins said that he will talk with Chief Callaghan.

There is a delay in getting the 911 calls from the Montgomery area, Chief Perkins is pursuing other options on the way the calls are being dispatched.

Attorney’s report –

Shawn thanked Lehman for his assistance on the Board.

Ruchaj questioned the stay on the pension reform, Flaherty stated this just means they are not going to move on it yet.

Old Business –

Changes on the draft budget are on the training. Perkins is trying to keep a closer look at this line item.

New Business –

Appreciation Dinner – would like to have approval of no more than \$4000.00.

Lehman questioned what the amount was for Kinkel’s retirement party, Chief Perkins stated it was \$778.00.

Lehman motioned and Linden seconded to:

‘Approval not to exceed \$4000 for the Annual Appreciation Dinner for the Sugar Grove Fire Protection District’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Ruchaj and seconded by Lehman to:

‘Go in to closed session at 7:26 for discussion of labor negotiations with Local 4748, discussion of a complaint by an employee, and 6-month review of closed session minutes.’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Ruchaj and seconded by Lehman to:

‘Go back in open session at 7:35’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

No action taken in closed session.

ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

None

Public to Address the Board

None

It was motioned by Ruchaj and seconded by Linden to:

“Adjourn at 7:36 pm”

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary


Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary