

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

DATE: December 15, 2014
TIME: 7:00 pm
PLACE: Sugar Grove Fire Station

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

GUESTS: Attorney Tim Hoppa

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call – All trustees present

Attorney Hoppa swore in John Guddendorf as the Appointed Trustee to finish out John Lehman's term until May 2015.

Approval of Minutes-

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Linden to:

'Approve the open session meeting minutes of November 17, 2014'

Roll call vote – Fagel, yes – Guddendorf, abstained – Linden, yes, Ruchaj, yes – Wojciechowski, yes.
Motion carried

It was motioned by Wojciechowski and seconded by Linden to:

'Approve and keep closed the closed session meeting minutes of November 17, 2014'

Roll call vote – Fagel, yes – Guddendorf, abstained – Linden, yes, Ruchaj, yes – Wojciechowski, yes
Motion carried

Treasurers Report –

Operations Account – \$2,578,225.21, Construction Account - \$547,588.90, Total \$3,125,814.11
Should be at 60%, at 52% - running under budget.

It was motioned by Ruchaj and seconded by Fagel to:

'Accept the Budget Percentage Report and Balance Sheet dated November 30, 2014'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Expenditures –

Chase Checking - \$193,439.30, Chase HRA - \$1665.08, Total expenditures \$195,104.38

Linden questioned the payment to Aurora Area Spring. Chief Perkins stated the Board approved those on the consent agenda last month, it was for springs and breaks on 901.

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Fagel to:

'Approve the Expenditures for November 2014 in the amount of \$195,104.38'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustees report –

Trustee Fagel stated that according to DHS there are dangers to police and firefighters. Fagel wanted our staff to be aware. Fagel also stated that they are suggesting they go without uniform as often as possible when they are in public places. Fagel stated this is the first time he has heard anything like that, and it is pretty intense.

Report from Chief and Command –

90 call in November – down 8 from last year. Sitting about 60 calls over from last year, still have December to go.

Trustee Fagel asked for a brief report on Battalion Chiefs – Chief Perkins stated they are a huge assistance – they are being exposed to many things, they have been busy attending training.

Four POCs graduated from Paramedic class – still have to take state test. Linden questioned if this was a 16 month course. Chief Perkins stated it is a 12 month course.

Attorney's report –

Competitive bidding law in full force starting January 2015.

Old Business –

Election of Officers –

It was motioned by Wojciechowski and seconded by Ruchaj to:

‘Keep the positions as is – Ruchaj-President, Linden-Treasurer, and Wojciechowski-Secretary’

Roll call vote – Wojciechowski, yes – Ruchaj, yes – Fagel, no – Guddendorf, abstain – Linden, no
Motion Denied

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Fagel to:

‘Nominate Fagel as President’

Roll call vote – Linden, yes - Fagel, yes - Guddendorf, yes - Ruchaj, no - Wojciechowski, no
Motion Carried

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Fagel to:

‘Nominate Wojciechowski as Secretary’

Roll call vote – Linden, yes - Fagel, yes - Guddendorf, yes - Ruchaj, yes - Wojciechowski, yes
Motion Carried

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Wojciechowski to:

‘Nominate Linden as Treasurer’

Roll call vote – Linden, yes - Fagel, yes - Guddendorf, yes - Ruchaj, yes - Wojciechowski, yes
Motion Carried

It was motioned by Fagel and seconded by Linden to:

‘Go in to closed session for discussion on Labor Negotiations with Local 4748.’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Guddendorf and seconded by Linden to:

‘Go back in open session at 7:41’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

No action was taken in closed session

ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Trustee Fagel entertained a motion for board action to thank Trustee Ruchaj for his years of service as Board President and his years of service to the district.

It was motioned by Guddendorf and seconded by Linden to:

‘Thank Trustee Ruchaj for his years of service as President and being on the board’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustee Ruchaj thanked everyone on the board for serving with them and after this meeting he will be tendering his resignation.

Fagel stated that it was supposed to be a thank you not a farewell.

Public to Address the Board

None

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Guddendorf to:

‘Adjourn at 7:45 pm’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Wojciechowski, Secretary



Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary