

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

**DATE:** Sept 15, 2017  
**TIME:** 6:30 pm  
**PLACE:** Sugar Grove Fire Station

**Board of Trustees:** Mike Fagel, President  
David Linden, Treasurer  
John Guddendorf, Jr., Secretary  
David Blankenship, Trustee  
Harry Davis, Trustee

**GUESTS:** Chief Perkins, Attorney

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call – All Trustees Present**

**Old Business –**

**AMBULANCE PURCHASE** – Trustee Fagel stated that they received the specs of the ambulance and wanted to go through the list of Options, Fagel stated this is the 12<sup>th</sup> year that Horton has had the state bid and Horton has sold 275 ambulances in Northern Illinois in the last three years. Fagel stated that in his experience in North Aurora he has bought 4 Hortons in his career. Fagel proposes to discuss the Horton product and the state bid.

Fagel stated that per attorney if vehicle is on state bid it can be purchased directly.

Horton:

2018 Ford 550 4X4 Chassis on custom Horton conversion per Customer specs: \$277,836

Prepayment discount: \$7500

Trade in of 1997 Horton Ambulance: \$6500

Total: \$263,836

Fagel stated that the quote includes all the items on the list that Chief and Josh went over.

Osage:

2017 Ford 450 (no trade-in): \$256,000

Fagel stated Horton only vehicle with airbags, only vehicle that passed more stringent tests. Horton is also built with 2X3 Tubular instead of 2X2 Tubular, 75% stronger steel.

Guddendorf brought up the Chassis. Fagel stated that Osage chassis is being built now, the chassis is a 450, 2017, so the chassis is a year old and lighter. Fagel stated Horton is a 550 with a 2018 frame. Fagel stated Ford engineers said the chassis is \$1000 difference between them, and with the heavier chassis you get brakes, front and rear axles and a frame that is stronger. Fagel stated that the engineer stated he would buy the 2018 550. Fagel handed out the specs from Horton.

Davis questioned the \$256,000 vs the \$263,000, is there a paint charge in the \$256,000 for Osage, that isn't in the Horton. Fagel stated he believes Osage has the paint charge in that number, but has not seen a spec sheet. Fagel stated Horton has the paint black over red spec in it. FF Walsh stated there was no trade in for Osage. Fagel stated he spoke with Osage and he did not want an old vehicle because he did not have a spot for it. Blankenship questioned when the trustees will get the specs for the Osage. Fagel state that he was concerned with the Osage, that there was only 500lbs of extra weight left. Guddendorf questioned the warranty, Fagel stated both Osage and Horton are lifetime module and 10 year on electrical. Fagel stated if he had to spend more to protect the crew it is worth it. Fagel stated that airbags save lives, so why wouldn't we want one in the back of the ambulance.

Guddendorf stated that he does not see the diagrams for the module for Horton. Fagel stated he will get them on Monday.

Fagel presented a Resolution stating the Board further deems it critical that the latest occupant protection safety technology must be included in the specifications for the new ambulance to enhance employee safety. Fagel stated that this is what he really wants to say in this, and it just shows we are putting employees first.

Davis said it would be good if the attorney were here to make sure it is worded properly. Fagel stated it was written by Shawn, he just wanted to share it in advance so there are no surprises.

Fagel questioned are we are at the stage to make a recommendation to purchase off a state bid, Linden was in agreement. Guddendorf requested that we get all the modular specs first. Blankenship and Davis want to see Osages also. Bid packets were questioned; Fagel responded that these are not bid packets, a bid packet has not been issued yet. Guddendorf would like to see from Horton the same specs/pictures that Osage has sent. Davis stated to table this to Monday night.

COOP PLANNING – Fagel stated that he was going to teach, but he is too close to the department, so he went out and found an IFSI Instructor who is a FEMA TEEK, and University Instructor at IIT who has offered to teach the class for 3 sessions at \$200 per session. A tabletop exercise can be done later for an extra \$250. Fagel stated that Chief Perkins asked if he could teach it, and he feels it is better if he does not. Fagel stated that he can vouch for the instructor's instructorship, as he has taught this nationwide. Blankenship questioned how many people can go to this training, he would like to attend. Fagel stated as many as we want up to 20, and per Shawn all five trustees can be at the same class, as this won't be a violation of the Open Meetings Act.

It was motioned by Blankenship and seconded by Davis to:  
'Approve the Training for COOP'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Fagel stated that he downloaded the Fire Officer I and II registration forms, and there is a Fire Officer II - November 6; Leadership I - October 16 Darian; Leadership II - Nov 13 Darian; Leadership III – Oct 23 Westmont; Leadership IIII – Nov 27 Downers Grove. Fagel stated these are courses our Officers may want to attend.

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustee Fagel questioned the Fire Department members in the room if they knew what happened at Scott and Harter. FF Nichols stated that he feels more comfortable that if Trustee Fagel wants details that he went through the Fire Chief, as he is not sure what information he is requesting. Fagel questioned who was first to respond to the scene. FF Nichols stated that he was on the ambulance taking a patient to Copley from the sports complex, Elburn was at a block party at the south end of the district, so Elburn's medic was on scene first. Elburn's engine responded, after confirming with the BC on duty to do so, and then the SG engine went from the station. After that other agencies were called. Fagel stated that he received documents from Chief that we have been there 20 times. FF Nichols stated that we are there a lot. Trustee Fagel stated he wants to learn more about it. FF Nichols stated that the ins and outs of the call are not in his realm, and should be handled by the Chief.

It was motioned by Guddendorf and seconded by Blankenship to:  
'Go in to closed session at 7:18pm for discussion of performance of specific employees of the district'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Linden and seconded by Blankenship to:

'Go back in open session at 8:05pm'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

No action taken in closed session

Trustee Fagel will email Chief to make sure we have the packet from Osage on Monday. Fagel stated that he will email Chief to have Osage specs and price.

Add items to agenda - \$2500 for computer equipment for Trustees Office. Add '/goals' to 12a.

**ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD**

None

**Public to Address the Board**

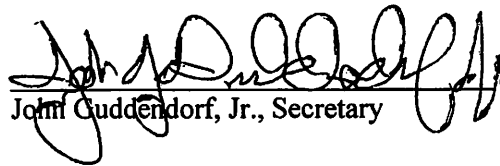
None

It was motioned by Blankenship and seconded by Linden to:

"Adjourn at 8:15pm"

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

  
John Cuddendorf, Jr., Secretary

  
Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary