

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

**DATE:** February 18, 2019  
**TIME:** 6:00 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 Shawn Flaherty

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call** – Fagel deployed

It was motioned by Guddendorf and seconded by Davis to:  
'Designate Dave Blankenship as President Pro-tem'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

**Public to Address the Board-** None heard

**Approval of Minutes-**

It was motioned by Davis and seconded by Guddendorf to:  
'Approve the January 21, 2019 open session meeting minutes as presented'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

**Treasurers Report –**

Operations Account – \$ 2,492,906.97, Capital Account – \$ 951,072.72, Total – \$3,443,979.69  
At 67.9%, 7% under where we should be at.

It was motioned by Guddendorf and seconded by Davis to:  
'Accept the January 2019 Cash Balances and Budget vs Actual Reports'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

**Expenditures –**

Chase Checking - \$243,195.69, Chase HRA - \$6,040.95, Total expenditures \$249,236.64

It was motioned by Blankenship and seconded by Davis to:  
'Approve the Expenditures for January 2019 in the amount of \$249,236.64'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

**Consent Items –**

Rush Truck – Broken down into to two categories – Parts \$3,312.12, Labor \$4,529.60 for a total of \$7,841.72.

Discussion was held on how long to keep this vehicle and whether to rotate it so that it is used occasionally.

It was motioned by Davis and seconded by Guddendorf to:  
'Approve the Consent Items for February 2019 in the amount of \$7,841.72'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

**Report from Chief and Command-**

Monthly report is in packet to Trustees. January had 111 calls, over last years by 4.

Provided assistance on call to City of Aurora on Friday. Received call from Aurora Fire Chief thanking us.

BC Moran called about the rust on 901 – wanted a detailed report, will distribute as soon as received. Guddendorf questioned what we are doing to try to eliminate this problem. [Chief] will try to flush underneath, but hard during this weather. Discussion was held on the warranty, refurbishing rig, how the newer vehicles are rusting and having someone come out to measure corrosion. [Guddendorf] would like Chief to have another vendor come out and check the corrosion.

**Attorney's report –**

Discussion was held on a referendum, for March 2020. Flaherty prepared information for the trustees on the numbers, what is required by state statute to be put on the ballot and the fund it would go towards. This new fund would be Emergency Rescue and Equipment. This would be used for employees and equipment. Guddendorf would like information to be handed out during the corn boil.

CPI – 1.9% - slightly lower than the last two years, which both were 2.1% - dropped .2%.  
New Growth .8% - 2.7% increase over last year.

**Old Business –**

**11a) Aurora Airport Response and Fees –** nothing new

**11b) TIF –** nothing new

**11c) COOP –** Still going on. [Guddendorf] would like to have something showing that things are happening. [Chief] going to be having them put together step by step books in their area of expertise. [Guddendorf] are they rotating, every three months or so [Chief] that creates problems, some are in the middle of projects that they need to finish, going to keep them in the same positions for a while, most have done all jobs.

**11(d) Strategic Plan –** [Chief] received extensive excel sheet from Davis, also sent to Guddendorf, will be looking at that and will meet up again.

**New Business –**

**12(a) Surplus Property –** [Chief] this goes hand in hand with 12(b) – a department in Kentucky has placed an offer on the small ARFF truck for \$9000, which is a good offer, would need to be declared as surplus.

The department that wanted us to hold the brush truck until May is now having a meeting in February to release funds so that they can purchase the truck right away for \$32,000. Would need the trustees to declare both vehicles as surplus and 12(b) would be for the trustees to allow the sale of the ARFF for \$9000 less commission and the brush truck for \$32,000 less commission, with review and approval of sales contracts (for both) with the attorney.

[Guddendorf] what goes with the vehicles. [Chief] will check with Moran, radios and small tools come out. Brush truck would be truck, lights and skid load. All little equipment and radio systems stay with us. [Chief] these are 'AS-IS sales', and a hold-harmless will be signed.

It was motioned by Blankenship and seconded by Linden to:

'Classify the 2006 Ford F350 and the 1992 E-One ARFF Mini Pumper as Surplus'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

It was motioned by Guddendorf and seconded by Davis to:

'Authorize the sale of the Mini ARFF for \$9000 less commission and the 2006 Ford F350 for \$32,000 less commission; with legal review of any contracts and hold-harmless agreements'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

[Guddendorf] are the two vehicles out of commission now. [Chief] if we have a sales agreement with them by Friday, then yes, we have an obligation to take them out of service.

[Linden] more concerned about what they are doing with the radios, going south or stay north. [Chief] questioned if Linden was talking about what they are calling the frequencies; we are going to be Fire South. [Guddendorf] where is the breaking point. [Chief] North of North Aurora is north, everything else is south. In the future, if they bring on another department, they may go to Fire 1, Fire 2 for simplicity. [Chief] meeting with the Battalions, will have one of the new radios, can look it over and see how it works. [Linden] what is the cost. [Chief] radios, district had to pay 10% of the \$190,000, will get about a \$17,000 rebate from the reserve funds at Tri-com. There will be a monthly surcharge for some of the star-com radios. Dispatch fees are going up, went over the 1%. [Guddendorf] how much more [Chief] about \$15,000 a year, we are now about \$50,000 a year. Discussion continued.

**Closed Session- None**

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

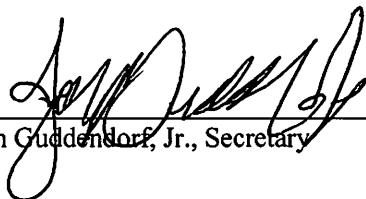
Nothing heard

It was motioned by Davis and seconded by Linden to:

'Adjourn at 7:04 p.m.'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

  
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John Guddendorf, Jr., Secretary

  
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Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary