

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

DATE: November 18, 2019
TIME: 6:00 pm
PLACE: Sugar Grove Fire Station

Board of Trustees: David Blankenship, President
Harold Davis, Treasurer
John Guddendorf, Jr., Secretary
Michael Fagel, Trustee
Timothy Cicero, Trustee

GUESTS: Chief Perkins, Attorney Shawn Flaherty

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call – Fagel and Guddendorf absent - Ill

It was motioned by Blankenship and seconded by Davis to:
'Appoint Cicero as Secretary 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 Cicero to:
'Approve the October 21, 2019 open session minutes'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Treasurers Report –

Operations Account – \$ 3,472,263.50 Capital Account – \$ 1,057,419.30, Total – \$4,529,682.80
Percentage is right in line where it should be at.

It was motioned by Davis and seconded by Cicero to:
'Accept the October 2019 Cash Balances and Budget vs Actual Reports as presented'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Expenditures –

Chase Checking – \$301,500.88, Chase HRA – \$112.38, Total expenditures – \$301,613.26

It was motioned by Cicero and seconded by Davis to:
'Approve the Expenditures for October 2019 in the amount of \$301,613.26'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Consent Items –

District: Global – Actuator - \$1,382.90
Foreign Fire: Costco – Dishes - \$250.00 not to exceed
Stevens Clothing – Jackets – \$2,950.00
Bunn – Coffee Makers - \$1,425.00
Stevens Clothing – Hats - \$750.00 not to exceed
EVAC – Escape Bags - \$3,101.40

Trustee Cicero mentioned First Choice Coffee, where they supply the coffee machines if you purchase the coffee from them.

It was motioned by Davis and seconded by Cicero to:
'Approve the Consent Items as presented in the amount of \$9,859.30'

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Trustees Report – Trustee Cicero questioned how many POCs we have. [BC Lopez] stated around 10, with 2 more coming on in December. [Cicero] questioned if we need more, should we advertise. [Chief Perkins] under the safer grant, they advertise and do flyers, this starts in December.

Report from Chief and Command-

Monthly report is in packet to Trustees.

October – 86 calls, down from last October – 50 calls above for the year.

BC Lopez put together an Annual report for Training – with a spotlight on an individual employee – Tom Moon – has been working toward his bachelor’s degree in fire science.

Engine 901 – while this is dismantled – maybe get motor rebuilt. Pricing is \$67,000 to replace – \$44,000 to rebuild. Checking to see if Harold can rebuild. This can possibly be put on next budget year.

Attorney’s report –

Naden Case – scheduled for December 5.

Pension Bill - Effective Jan 1 – Pension bill was passed by both houses. Governor will sign, effective Jan 1. This will create a FF Pension Investment Fund. Be ready for when they come and ask for all pension assets. Will have 30 days to do so. Pension Board will still exist, they will no longer be in charge of investing or actuarial determinations.

Tier 2 got approved, and training hours slashed in half.

Marijuana Bill – Senate Bill 1557 passed – will be signed by Governor. This is the trailer bill for marijuana. There is clarification for police and fire, although collective bargaining language prevails. Our Policy and Collective Bargaining states we cannot use illegal drugs or abuse legal drugs. There will be a few tweaks to the policy by next month.

New Business –

Ordinance 2019-03 – Levying and Assessing Taxes

This is an annual ordinance we adopt in November.

It was motioned by Cicero and seconded by Davis to:

‘Adopt Ordinance 2019-03 – 2019 Tax Levy’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Resolution 2019-01 – Resolution providing direction to the County Clerk under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law Regarding the 2019 Tax Levy of the Sugar Grove Fire Protection District

It was motioned by Davis and seconded by Cicero to:

‘Adopt Resolution 2019-03 – as presented’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

Captain Promotion – Captains test was completed. 10 day waiting period for veterans preference points.

It was motioned by Davis and seconded by Cicero to:

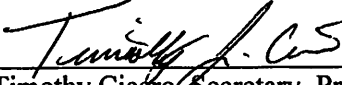
‘Authorize the Fire Commissioners to move forward with the Captains promotion after the date of November 22’

Roll call vote – Motion carried

ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD- Nothing heard

Adjourn at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy Cicero, Secretary, Pro Tem



Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary