

SUGAR GROVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TRUSTEE'S MEETING OPEN MINUTES

Date: March 17, 2025
Time: 5:00 pm
Place: Sugar Grove Fire Station

Board of Trustees: David Blankenship– President
Tim Cicero – Secretary
Nicole Lamela – Treasurer
Mike Fagel – Trustee

Guests: Chief Moran, DC Weaver, Paula Lacey, Lori Kellogg

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

It was motioned by Cicero Seconded by Lamela to appoint Mike Fagel as President Pro-Tem
Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Roll Call – Trustee Blankenship – absent

Public to Address the Board – Nothing heard

Minutes –

February 17, 2025 – open

Motioned by Cicero Seconded by Lamela to Approve the February 17, 2025, open minutes
Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Correspondence – The district received a thank you from a resident for a tour that was given to his granddaughter.

Report – Cash Balances vs Actual Reports –

Motioned by Lamela Seconded by Cicero to Approve the Cash Balances and Budget vs Actual Reports for February 2025 - Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Expenditures –

Motioned by Lamela Seconded by Cicero to Approve the Expenditures for February 2025
Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion Carried

Consent Purchase Agenda –

Cordogan Clark – Civil Engineering Fees– \$11,635

Motioned by Cicero Seconded by Lamela to Approve the Consent Agenda in the amount of \$11,635
Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Trustees Report –

- Trustee Cicero attended the planning meeting with the Chief and Deputy Chief, well received
- Trustee Fagel talked about the closing of the National Fire Academy and decimation of DHS units

Report of the Fire Chief –

- 144 Calls in February – 30 of those were overlapping – up 31 EMS for year
- Chief and DC met with Waubensee for next step in that relationship
- Meeting with Architect next week

**New Business –
12a and 12e tabled**

Correct Scrivenor's error on Levy 2024

This is to correct an error on the Levy – the amount pursuant to P.A. 93-689 was erroneously deducted from the Pension Fund Levy amount.

Motioned by Cicero Seconded by Lamela to Approve the Amended Levy Ordinance 2024-03 and refile

Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Burn Tower – Suggest ordering now, not sure what Tariffs are going to do. It is budgeted for this year.

Questions on what happens if the Village does not pass it – it would have to be returned. The chief does not see it not getting passed.

Motioned by Fagel Seconded by Cicero to Authorized the Chief to purchase the Burn Tower

Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Draft Budget – Trustees were given a copy of the draft budget; this will be approved at the next meeting.

- Budget deficit of \$182,000 – includes a lot of contingencies.
- One increase not anticipated was for IT – we are going to a managed contract –\$20,000 for the year – we are keeping the same person; he started his own company.
- Increase in EMS about \$20,000 for maintenance on power cots and Lucas devise. – this is an upfront fee for four years – after this it will be reevaluated
- Revenues up about \$200,000 in ambulance fees
- Questions on grants – tons of grants out there we can apply for

Closed Session –

Motioned by Cicero Seconded by Lamela to go into closed session for items 12a and 12e on Agenda

Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Motioned by Lamela Seconded by Fagel to adjourn the closed session

Open Session –

Motioned by Cicero Seconded by Fagel to go into Open Session at 5:56pm

Motioned by Cicero Seconded by Fagel to Approve the Pay Increases for Non-Union Members

Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Motioned by Fagel Seconded by Lamela to Approve the Contract with Local 4748 beginning May 1, 2025

Roll Call Vote: All in favor, Motion carried

All Other Matters that May Come Before the Board – Nothing heard

Motioned by Lamela Seconded by Fagel to adjourn the meeting at 5:57pm.

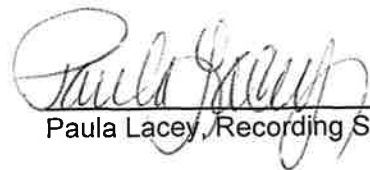
Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy Cicero, Secretary



Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary