



Mokena Fire Protection District

MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TRUSTEES' MEETING August 10, 2021

The regular meeting of the Mokena Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at Mokena Fire Station #1 at 7:00 PM.

Present: President William Haas, Treasurer Ken Blank, Secretary Robert Hennessy, Trustee Craig Warning, Chief Howard Stephens, Assistant Chief/Deputy Administrator Joe Cirelli, Assistant Chief Rick Campbell, Recording Secretary Nancy Feigel

Absent: Trustee Dennis Burkhardt

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING, CORRECTIONS, APPROVAL

Ken Blank made a motion, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2021, Trustee meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

UNION REPORT

None

TREASURER'S REPORT

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Craig Warning, to accept the Monthly Statement as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$179,848.25 as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees expressed their condolences to former Trustee Ken Lenz's family on his passing. It was a privilege to have worked alongside him for many years.

CALENDAR AND CHECKLIST

The audit presentation will be held soon.

Emergency 9-1-1

Administrative Offices
19853 S. Wolf Road
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Fire Station #3
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ASSISTANT CHIEF CAMPBELL'S REPORT

Alexis Fire repaired the paint on the new ambulance remount and it was delivered to MFPD on July 20. Unfortunately, the new remount ambulance was found to be leaning to the passenger side. The ambulance was sent to Trans Chicago to have the rear suspension evaluated. We are waiting to hear back. We are in the process of scheduling Illinois Department of Public Health for the in-service inspection.

B&P Apparatus is no longer in business due to the owner retiring. They have referred us to Fenton Fire Apparatus for appraisal and listing service. Fenton Fire Apparatus has appraised the 2009 HME/Alexis and at the September meeting we will sign an agreement for Fenton Fire Apparatus to list the 2009 HME/Alexis and make it surplus equipment.

Thank you to Engineer Tim Wiencek for taking the initiative on painting the new southeast entrance door at Station 2.

In response to the surge in new COVID 19 cases and following the CDC recommendation, we have mandated masks to be worn by all personnel and non-personnel while in MFPD fire stations. We will continue to follow the COVID 19 protocols put into place at the start of the pandemic.

The Board approved the following Class Request:

Stewart Romadka Water Rescue Operations

The August training calendar was reviewed by the Board.

ASSISTANT CHIEF CIRELLI'S REPORT

We have remained active with Laraway Communications Center (LCC) and Will County 9-1-1. The third-party consultant provided a brief summary of their findings and expected recommendations. The draft report is expected to be released in the next few weeks; however, we were disappointed in the lack of substance with their recommendations.

We are still awaiting word on the Assistance to Firefighters Grants for gear extractor/dryer and additional dual-band radios.

The Lieutenant testing process is almost complete. Three candidates participated and all three passed. The new promotional list will become effective in September.

The full-time testing process will begin in a couple of weeks. Applications are scheduled to go live on August 20; must be turned in by September 3 at 5:00 pm.

We are reviewing the reading list and preparing to post for the Engineer exam, to be held in late 2022/early 2023.

The Trustees reviewed the July code enforcement reports and the community risk reduction surveys.

CHIEF'S REPORT

The FY2021 ambulance billing data was reviewed.

The annual awards and promotion ceremonies will be scheduled for Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 6:00 pm at Station 1, prior to the Trustee meeting.

Due to moving out of our Fire District, Fire Commissioner Steve Hoblin resigned immediately. The district will have to find a replacement Fire Commissioner.

With the recent increase of COVID infections in our area, we should put some additional thought into the scheduled Open House/Pancake Breakfast. The Trustees agree that we should consider different options in the event the COVID situation is still going strong.

Letters and newspaper articles this month:

- A letter was received from Steve Hoblin announcing his resignation as Fire Commissioner due to moving out of the Mokena Fire Protection District.
- A thank you note was received from a resident thanking us for all the help provided.
- Articles appeared in The Patch regarding our CPR class and the passing of former Trustee Ken Lenz.

Trustees reviewed the monthly alarm reports for July.

Eight Customer Satisfaction Surveys received in the past month were shared with the Board.

APPROVAL OF FY2021 YEAR IN REVIEW

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to approve the FY2021 Year in Review as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

APPROVE FULL-SERVICE BANKING SERVICES

The district's banking agreement with Old Plank Trail Bank expired on July 31, 2021; however, they are pleased to extend the banking agreement for another year at the same pricing structure from 8/2/2021 through 7/31/2022. Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Craig Warning, to approve Old Plank Trail Bank for our full-service banking needs for another year. Motion passed with all ayes.

CLOSED SESSION

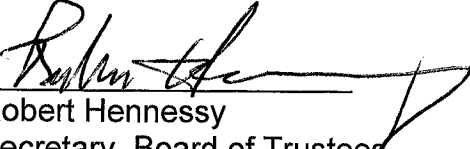
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ACTION UPON CLOSED SESSION IF REQUIRED

None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM after a motion by Robert Hennessy.


Robert Hennessy
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Recording Secretary: Nancy Feigel