



Mokena Fire Protection District

MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TRUSTEES' MEETING AUGUST 13, 2019

The regular meeting of the Mokena Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at Mokena Fire Station #1 at 7:00 PM.

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

Absent: Trustee Craig Warning

Visitors: Friends and family of Timothy Boomsma, Peter Cantore and Paul Coverick

Emergency 9-1-1

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*Established 1883
Organized 1917*



PROMOTION OF ENGINEER TIMOTHY BOOMSMA TO LIEUTENANT

The pledge of allegiance was recited, followed by a prayer by Pastor Tom Newton.

Timothy Boomsma introduced his family that were present, the oath of office was recited, followed by the promotional ceremony.

PROMOTION OF FIREFIGHTER PETER CANTORE TO ENGINEER

A ceremony was held for the promotion of Peter Cantore to Engineer.

Peter Cantore introduced his family that were present, the oath of office was recited, followed by the promotional ceremony.

RETIREMENT OF FIRE COMMISSIONER PAUL COVERICK

Paul Coverick has served as a Fire Commissioner for 23 years. He has resigned due to moving out of state. A plaque was presented to Paul thanking him for his years of service. He stated that it was an honor serving this community and will cherish the memories of the years he served here and the people he worked with.

A 20 minutes recess was taken for refreshments.

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Mokena, Homer Glen, Orland Park, Frankfort*

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING, CORRECTIONS, APPROVAL

Ken Blank made a motion, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2019 Trustee meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2019 Closed Session meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

UNION REPORT

None

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Dennis Burkhardt made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$121,628.10 as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees extended their congratulations to Lt. Boomsma and Eng. Cantore on their promotions.

Bill Haas remarked that he is proud of the positive customer satisfaction surveys that we receive.

CALENDAR AND CHECKLIST

The budget and appropriation ordinance will be published soon and filed with the County Clerk.

The audit will be held this week. It is expected it will be presented at the October board meeting.

ASSISTANT CHIEF CAMPBELL'S REPORT

Ambulance 94 (International) had new front and rear brakes installed by Chandler Services.

Engine 91 (Spartan) had a faulty turbo actuator and a recall on the emission system. These repairs were performed under warranty by Chandler Services.

Chandler Services is interested in purchasing the 1996 International chassis which is currently being used for the maintenance vehicle.

APEK installed a 45-foot new six-inch gutter on the north side of Station 1 at a cost of \$425.00. This gutter helps reduce the amount of water exposure to the air conditioner on the north side of the building. Gutters may also be installed around the remaining sides of the building.

July 17 we responded to a hazmat incident on 97th Avenue. Other responding units included Southwest Hazmat, Mokena Police and Will County EMA.

A 2-car accident occurred on August 2 with one vehicle that rolled into the pond at Hickory Creek and 191st Street. There were no occupants in the vehicle at the time.

On July 21, the shift crew at Station 1 participated in helping Pink Heals, an organization that helps patient's battling cancer. The shift crew escorted the Pink Heals tour to a home on 192nd Street where the family was greeted.

The child car seats on our four ambulances have expired. Thank you to Buy Buy Baby who donated all four brand new cars seats. Thank you to Nancy Feigel for reaching out to them and saving the District approximately \$1000.00.

The August training calendar was reviewed by the Board.

The Board reviewed the POC ride-along report for the month of July.

ASSISTANT CHIEF CIRELLI'S REPORT

We have remained active and committed to supporting Laraway Dispatch in improving their provided service levels. Any issues that we have experienced have been reported to LCC through their notification procedure.

August 14 the mobile CAD client will under a major upgrade. This upgrade is expected to provide additional features relating to map scaling and incident location display.

To expand our notification and communication with the police department, we are working with WC9-1-1 and Cad to automatically notify the police and fire command staff of certain incidents. This will support the establishment of a unified command early into an incident.

Chief Stephens recently attended an LCC Board of Director's meeting. Staffing is currently at an all time low. The training for new dispatchers will be increased to 24 weeks. The budget was approved for a 5% increase, not 6.5% as proposed.

A/C Cirelli attended the August 7 Homer Glen Public Services and Safety Committee meeting. Home Glen Trustee Ann Holtz has replaced Keith Gray as the chairperson of this committee.

On July 30 we participated in a full-scale nuclear exercise which simulated an emergency at the Dresden Nuclear Powerplant. This annual exercise was held at the Will County Emergency Operations Center.

On August 1 we received a \$5,000.00 grant check from Enbridge Pipeline.

We currently have two employees out on reported duty-related injuries and one employee on unpaid leave.

The Trustees reviewed the July code enforcement reports and public education surveys.

CHIEF'S REPORT

The FY2019 ambulance billing data was reviewed.

The Board will review the Fiscal Year 2019 Year in Review. The approval of this will be an agenda item at the September meeting.

The District is making plans with the Lions Club for the Annual Pancake Breakfast/Open House on October 6.

Newspaper articles received this month:

- The Mokena Messenger published articles on MFPD calls of service in June and our recent hazmat incident.

Bill Haas sent a letter to Steve Rauter, Executive Director at WESCOM directing Chief Stephens to explore alternative dispatch opportunities.

The Trustees reviewed the monthly alarm reports for July.

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

CLOSED SESSION

Bob Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to enter into Closed Session at 8:14 PM. Motion passed with all ayes.

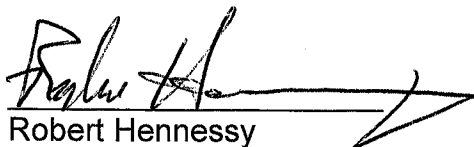
The Board returned to Open Session at 8:21 PM.

ACTION UPON CLOSED SESSION IF REQUIRED

None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:29 PM after a motion by Robert Hennessy.



Robert Hennessy
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Recording Secretary:
Nancy Feigel