



Mokena Fire Protection District

MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TRUSTEES' MEETING MAY 10, 2022

The regular meeting of the Mokena Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at Mokena Fire Station #1 at 7:00 PM.

Present: Treasurer Ken Blank, Secretary Robert Hennessy, Trustee Craig Warning, Trustee Dennis Burkhardt, Chief Joe Cirelli, Assistant Chief Rick Campbell, Recording Secretary Nancy Feigel

Absent: President William Haas

Visitors: Accountant James Howard from 7:12 -- 7:25 PM

A motion was made to Ken Blank, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to appoint Craig Warning as president pro-tem. Motion passed with all ayes

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING, CORRECTIONS, APPROVAL

Dennis Burkhardt made a motion, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2022, Trustee meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2022, Closed Session meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

UNION REPORT

None

FINANCE REPORT

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

The cost recovery billing information was reviewed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$347,956.31 as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

Emergency 9-1-1

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Fire Station #3
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

Trustee Warning is concerned about the rising cost of fuel and the impact on our budget.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Accountant James Howard gave a broad overview of the FY23 proposed budget including revenue and expenditure highlights.

James Howard left the meeting at this time.

APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE BUDGET

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to approve the tentative budget as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

CALENDAR AND CHECKLIST

The tentative budget has been approved. It will be posted 30 days prior to adoption.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT

The code enforcement report and community risk reduction surveys were reviewed by the Board.

ASSISTANT CHIEF CAMPBELL'S REPORT

Truck 92 was out of service for approximately one week due to faulty rear brakes. The brake system was repaired by Chandler Services and is now back in service.

Engine 92 had the front bumper replaced and the passenger side front cab repainted and is now back in service.

We have not received any inquires in the last month from Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus or Fenton Fire Equipment for the 2009 HME/Alexis at the current listing price of \$151,900. The Board agreed to lower the price between \$134,900 and \$139,900.

Tinley Park Fire Department and Oak Forest Fire Department have received the 2023 maintenance program price list. Both departments have completed three years of the five-year maintenance IGA.

The septic system at Station 3 was inoperable due to a faulty UV bulb and a lift pump. Zieter Septic replaced both the UV bulb and lift pump and the system is now back in service.

The May training calendar was reviewed by the Board.

The Board approved the following Class Requests:

- Pete Cantore Surface Ice Rescue Technician
- Dave Porter Blue Card

FIRE CHIEF CIRELLI'S REPORT

We have received word that the awarding of 2021 Assistance to Firefighter's Grants (AFG) has been delayed again this year. It is anticipated that the awards will begin to be announced in July or August. We have applied for the purchase of a replacement breathing air compressor/fill station and a PPE washer/dryer. We participated in a regional AFG for the purchase of additional dual-band radios.

A/C Campbell submitted for a grant through Enbridge Pipeline for the purchase of a large diameter hose roller and transport cart. We were notified that the grant has been approved in the amount of \$7,500. This will be received in FY23.

A letter of support was submitted to the Will County Board in support of the use of federal CARES funding for the purchase of communications and notification equipment for fire and police departments. If completely approved, we would receive \$100,000 worth of communication or notification equipment. The intent would be to upgrade our station alerting system.

We are working with IO Solutions and the Fire Commission on the testing process for firefighters/paramedics.

We have one member that remains on a duty-related back injury. We have appointed an Engineer during his absence.

There was no objection from the Board to allowing the Lion's Club to include our badge on a pin their members will wear during the 2022 pancake breakfast.

We have received a request for financial assistance for an ambulance bill. The Board agreed to waive the balance of \$953.60.

The bridge on Wolf Road over Interstate 80 will be shut down during road work. We do not have a date that this will begin; however, A/C Campbell has been working with Will County 911 to change the response time in the CAD when the work begins.

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

MONTHLY INCIDENT REPORTS

The Trustees reviewed the monthly alarm reports for April.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Mokena Patch posted articles on our May 16 Senior's Luncheon and Family Fun Day to be held on June 4.

A thank you card was received from Linden Oaks Center thanking Chief Cirelli and A/C Campbell for meeting with the supervisor of clinical therapy.

INSURANCE RENEWAL

Dennis Burkhardt made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to approve the worker's compensation insurance. Motion passed with all ayes.

The ESIP liability annual premium has increased to \$74,103, up from \$68,423, effective July 1, 2022. This increase reflects recent loss history and an increase in coverage for \$4 million. Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to approve the ESIP policy as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

We received a quote from Provident Insurance for our Accident & Health insurance (worker's compensation gap coverage) at an annual premium of \$15,671. Ken Blank made a motion, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to approve the quote from Provident Insurance as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

We have received one quote for cyber liability; however, we are shopping for more competitive pricing. Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to authorize Chief Cirelli to enter into an agreement for cyber liability if the annual cost does not exceed \$7000. Motion passed with all ayes.

PAINTING EXTERIOR DOORS – STATION #2

A quote has been received from Moffat Painting and Decorating to repaint the exterior garage doors and service doors at Station 2 at a cost of approximately \$4000. Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to accept this quote. Motion passed with all ayes.

CLOSED SESSION

Robert Hennessy made a motion at 8:40 PM, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to enter Closed Session for personnel matters. Motion passed with all ayes.

The Trustees returned to Open Session at 9:29 PM.

ACTION UPON CLOSED SESSION IF REQUIRED

None

EXTENSION OF ASSISTANT CHIEF BENEFIT AGREEMENT

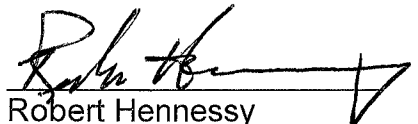
A/C Campbell's working agreement is due to expire on May 31, 2022. Dennis Burkhardt made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to extend the current agreement for an additional three months. Motion passed with all ayes.

DEFUNDING OF FIRE MARSHAL

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to defund one Fire Marshal position, effective July 2, 2022. Motion passed with all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:31 PM after a motion by Robert Hennessy.


Robert Hennessy
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Recording Secretary: Nancy Feigel