

Sandwich Community Fire Protection District
Regular Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2017

7:00 P.M.

Present: Trustee President – Jeff Beverage
Trustee Treasurer – Jeff Hyatt
Chief – Jason Pruski
District Secretary – Jackie Gramme

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:

Trustee Beverage called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

2. Review, Discussion and Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Trustee Beverage made a motion to accept the previous meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Trustee Hyatt stated that the cash on hand is \$1,683,289.54 and the disbursements are \$68,247.50, Trustee Beverage made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and pay the bills, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

4. Correspondence:

Trustee Beverage stated that the District received a notice from AT & T regarding the backup phone line for Kencom stating that service may be interrupted and a service technician might need access for network changes (attached). Trustee Beverage read a thank-you letter from Ness Farms regarding a structure fire that the Fire Department responded to, they were very grateful for Chief Pruski and that the volunteers were able to keep the damage to one building and saved over 1000 head of hogs.

5. Attorney's Report:

None.

6. Visitors:

None.

7. Chief's Report:

Chief Pruski stated that there wasn't any word on the SCBA Grant, Chief left a message for Rick Schmidt regarding the new fuel agreement and is still waiting to hear back from him. Chief stated that they haven't decided on what tactical items to use the IPRF (Illinois Public Risk Fund) grant for, Deputy Chief King is looking to have an instructor come out in September for training, there will be a Drill in September with the City, schools and the Fire District. Chief stated that the Jeffrey's running boards are being replaced by Todd Thatcher, they will be made of oak with a natural finish, Blake from IVVC will work on the gold leafing over the summer. Chief stated that the Box Cards went into effect since the last meeting and are working out well with the exception of some minor tweaks. Chief stated that the Fire Prevention is proceeding with the City with the goal being that the City's FP Ordinance is the same as the District's. Chief stated that the replacement Fire Signs are being installed. Chief stated that the City has awarded the street improvement to include the District's approach on Railroad Street to be completed August 1st 2017. Chief stated that vehicle maintenance is being completed with several already completed, 481 will be going to Newark for replacement parts under the cab, Illinois Truck doesn't have the room to do that type of work at their shop. 481 has passed the Underwriters Laboratory test with no problems, 461 (tender) has had tire issues needing air every day, Arneson fixed a leak with the extensions and then it went to Todd's for maintenance and on the way back to the station a tire

disintegrated, so all 8 tires were replaced, Chief stated that the tires were over 20 years old, 441 received 4 new rear tires, and all the maintenance so far has had no mechanical issues. 475 came back from Illinois Truck with a very bad squeaking noise, so Deputy Chief King asked Rick if he could stop by on his way home from work to tighten the loose belts. Chief stated that he has contacted the DeKalb Building Department and the sheriff's office regarding the abandoned house on Sandwich Road after the recent fire looking to have it condemned, Chief and the building department walked through the house and took pictures, the owner has been located and he is in a nursing home near Chicago, the goal is to have a conference call with Chief, the sheriff and the building department with the owner to discuss possibly burning it down with the District to stand by. Chief stated that Kathy and John Wagner contacted him stating that Northwestern will not be manning the District's EMS booth at the Fair, Chief Pruski and Deputy Chief King ran some ideas past Tony at Northwestern.

Old Business

- Trustee Hyatt made a motion to accept the website agreement with Willow Marketing not to exceed \$2000.00, seconded by Trustee Beverage, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

New Business

- Personnel: None.

- Training Request: Chief Pruski wants to attend the Training Program Manager Class through the Illinois Society of Fire Instructors at a cost of \$300.00. Trustee Beverage made a motion to send Chief to the Training Program Manager Class at a cost of \$300.00, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

- Equipment Purchase: Chief Pruski is requesting 4 sets of Turn Out Gear at a cost of \$2136.00 each for a total of \$8544.00 for Assistant Chief Boring, Abby Fasnacht, Mitchell Johns and Phil Gruca to be taken out of line item #5240. Chief Pruski is requesting 2 (4 gas) monitor detectors, the old ones do not have replacement parts, at \$795.00 each for a total of \$1590.00, Firefighter Crist can obtain the Gases cylinders for \$229.00 and the tubing and regulator for \$189.00 to be taken out of line item #5285 Chief stated that the monitors can be calibrated in house. Chief Pruski is requesting 4 packs (of 50) saws all blades at \$134.00 each for a total of 536.00 to be taken out of line item #5230 Chief Pruski is requesting a measuring wheel for training and fire prevention to be taken out of line item #5272 Chief Pruski is requesting 3 shelves for 475 to rearrange the truck's equipment to accommodate the District's raft, to be made by Alexis at a cost of \$550.00 to be taken out of line item #5220. Trustee Hyatt made a motion to approve the equipment purchases to be taken out of the appropriate line item numbers as stated and not to exceed stated prices, seconded by Trustee Beverage, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

- Trustee Beverage made a motion to approve the Prevailing Wages Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes under duress, Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

- Trustee Beverage made a motion to let the Sandwich Gas Engine Club borrow the District's tables/chairs for June 23rd through June 25th, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

- Trustee Beverage made a motion to approve the IVVC lease for 2017-2018 school year, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

- Surplus Gear/SCBA, Chief Pruski stated that the old SCBA in the basement has been there for the past 15 years, Chief stated that the Romeoville Training Academy is training firefighters in Central America and Chief would like to donate this equipment to Romeoville for their training in Central America. Trustee Beverage made a motion to donate the SCBA to Romeoville, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes. Chief Pruski asked the Board to consider donating out of date Turn Out Gear to IVVC for Fire Science. Trustee Hyatt made a motion to donate the out of date Turn Out Gear to IVVC, seconded by Trustee Beverage, Trustee Beverage voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

Adjournment

-Trustee Beverage made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 P.M., seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted yes.

