

Sandwich Community Fire Protection District

Regular Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Present:	Trustee President – Jeff Beverage	Firefighter – Eric Morris
	Trustee Treasurer – Jeff Hyatt	Firefighter – Ian Cerney
	Trustee Secretary – Chuck Fish	Firefighter – Jacob Johns
	Chief – Jason Pruski	Firefighter – Mike Pruski
	Deputy Chief – Nate King	Firefighter – Bill King
	Lieutenant – Derek Hagerty	Firefighter – Mitch Morel
	Lieutenant – Zach Morel	Chief of Police – Jim Bianchi
	Lieutenant – Phil Gruca	

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:

Trustee Beverage opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

2. Review, Discussion and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Trustee Hyatt made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Fish, Trustee Hyatt voted yes and Trustee Fish voted yes.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Trustee Hyatt stated that the total cash on hand is \$1,871,210.67 and the total disbursements were \$62,002.54, Trustee Beverage made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report seconded by Trustee Fish, Trustee Beverage voted yes, Trustee Hyatt voted yes and Trustee Fish voted yes.

4. Visitors:

Chief of Police Jim Bianchi.

5. Attorney's Report:

None.

6. Correspondence:

None.

7. Chief's Report:

Chief Pruski asked that the Board approve a Tentative Budget for the new fiscal year. Chief and Trustee Fish went to Attorney Flaherty's office to discuss approving the new Budget Ordinance after May 1st, Attorney Flaherty suggested making a Capital Reserve in the Budget. Trustee Fish added that the District does not have to publish the Prevailing Wage Ordinance any longer. Chief stated that he met with the Officers to determine dollar amounts for the new fiscal year. Chief state that he has taken the tax revenue and grants minus FEMA and the EMS billing income. Chief subtracted EMS Service \$388,000.00 and \$100,000.00 for Capital outlay off the income and started working numbers from there for the new Budget. Chief stated that Kurtz always billed the District for the previous month but Metro bills a month ahead of time so the line item # 5010 will show a negative this year, Chief stated that he has put an extra \$32,000.00 in that line item to cover the negative for the new fiscal year and he and Deputy Chief King will meet with Tom Deegan from Metro to discuss a new billing period. Chief stated that the only thing different that he added to the budget was \$80,000.00 for possibly painting the building. Chief stated that he and Deputy Chief agreed that the bay floor can wait another year. Chief stated that he will meet with Officers King and Boring to discuss the budget further. Chief stated that the District applied for a \$238,000.00 grant for the SCBA and \$300,000.00 for a tender, the grants have not been rejected and have moved forward to the second phase of the approval process. Deputy Chief King stated that all

grants that are being rewarded must be awarded by September 1st of this year. Chief stated that something to think about regarding buying a new vehicle is the District might save more money by paying the vehicle payments instead of paying in full amount because of interest rates on the Money Market checking account.

Old Business

- Chief stated that Chris Collins transferred to Roselle and Ian Cerney has taken his place.
- Trustee Fish made a motion to approve the new Agenda format seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes, Trustee Hyatt voted yes and Trustee Fish voted yes.
- Chief stated that local Fire Chief's met for breakfast to discuss possibly donating the Smoke House/Safety Trailer, attending were Chief Pruski, Chief Vessling, Chief Mathery, Chief Bateman, Chief Meyers and Chief Witik. It is currently at Little Rock Fox to be stored at Oswego. Trustee Fish made a motion to donate the Safety Trailer to MABAS Division 14 so that all the departments have access to use it, seconded by Trustee Beverage, Trustee Beverage voted yes, Trustee Hyatt voted yes and Trustee Hyatt voted no.
- There was a discussion regarding the new Rescue Pumper, Trustee Fish made a motion to send a clear letter of intent to Marion and all parties agree to the purchase, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes, Trustee Hyatt voted yes and Trustee Fish voted yes.

New Business

- Trustee Beverage made a motion to approve the Tentative Budget as presented, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes, Trustee Hyatt voted yes and Trustee Fish voted yes.
- Lieutenant Morel stated that he is implementing Target Solutions Certifications and it is going well.
- Lieutenant Gruca stated that gear and helmet inspections are wrapping up.
- Chief Pruski asked for permission to destroy Patient Care Reports from 2000 through 2005, State retention suggests destroying after 10 years. Trustee Beverage made a motion to destroy the Patient Care Reports from 2000 through 2005, seconded by Trustee Hyatt, Trustee Beverage voted yes, Trustee Hyatt voted yes and Trustee Fish voted yes.
- Chief stated that Jacob Johns is taking the new recruits to Cherry Valley for training.
- Lieutenant Hagerty is back from sick leave and stated that he will have a report for the next monthly meeting.
- Deputy Chief King stated that we've had 298 calls this year which is more than last year, there was minor repair issues taken care of, Motorola is working with updating radios and Deputy Chief King will start programming radios. Deputy Chief King stated that truck 431 (Brush Truck) was in the repair shop for a broken 4 wheel drive shifter. Deputy Chief King stated that the cots, stair chairs and power load systems will be serviced soon.

Adjournment

- Trustee Hyatt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 P.M., seconded by Trustee Beverage, Trustee Beverage voted yes, Trustee Hyatt voted yes and Trustee Fish voted yes.