Minutes of the Regular Meeting The Board of Trustees Of the Beecher Fire Protection District

On the 28th of October 2021, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Beecher Fire Protection District was held at 7:00PM pursuant to the notice at Fire Station in Beecher, Illinois.

October 28, 2021 Order of Business

Call to Order: 7:24 pm

Roll Call: Members Present: Trustees J. Bakker, B. Becker, M. Cook

and D Kolosh.

Members Absent: Trustee M. Waterman

Also Present: Chief Falaschetti, Deputy Chief Heusing, Attorney Tom Gilbert and James Howard (via zoom).

A motion was made by Trustee J. Baker, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to appoint Trustee D. Kolosh as secretary for October 28, 2021 meeting in Trustee M. Waterman's absent. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to approve the minutes from the September 23, 2021 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

Treasurers Report: Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual report, Bank Reconciliation for checking accounts and Investment Reports for the month of September were distributed to trustees. A motion was made by Trustee J. Bakker, seconded by Trustee B. Becker, to approve treasurer's report. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

Approval of Bills: The bills for the month of October were reviewed and a motion was made to pay bills by Trustee J. Bakker, seconded by Trustee B. Becker. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

NON-Discussion Agenda

Chief's Report: Chief Falaschetti gave updates on fire prevention (610 & 614 Gould St), training tower, new uniform company, Standard of Cover, personnel evaluations, annual hose testing, box cards and various grants (FEMA, Regional AFG, etc.).

Deputy Chief's Report: Deputy Chief Heusing gave updates on employee training, vehicle and equipment maintenance.

General Public: N/A

Discussion Agenda:

Committee Reports:

- **A. Personnel** Vacant contract spot will be open as of November 5th.
- **B. Public Relations** There was a good turn out for Open House and Pancake Breakfast. Positive feedback on both.
- C. Communications N/A
- **D. Village Liaison** Chief gave update on meeting with village in regards to 610 & 614 Gould St. Trustee J. Bakker gave update on TIF meeting.
- E. Legal Update Attorney T. Gilbert gave update.
- **F. Pension Board** Trustee D. Kolosh gave update.
- **G. Station** Chief gave update.

Unfinished Business N/A

New Business:

- 1. Vaccine mandate policy discussion: Employees will be paid an hourly rate when they have weekly COVID testing.
- **2.** A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by J. Bakker to award contract to SCBAS, Inc. for \$65,184.00 for a SCBA compressor and fill station. Motion was passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.
- **3.** A motion was made by Trustee J. Bakker, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to have a third party conduct an assessment for shift commander. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.
- 4. A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to set the Tax Levy at 105% for the tax year 2021. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

Scheduled Meetings/ Seminars:

Trustee Comments:

Next Meeting Date/Time: November 29, 2021 at 7:00pm

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 pm was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by B. Becker, motion carried.

Recorded by Angie Koehne Administrative Assistant