

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

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2020, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Beecher Fire Protection District was held at 7:00PM pursuant to the notice at the Washington Township Center in Beecher, Illinois.

**September 24, 2020**

**Order of Business**

**Call to Order:** 7:00 pm

**Roll Call:** **Members Present:** Trustees J. Bakker, B. Becker, M. Cook, D. Kolosh and M. Waterman.

**Also Present:** Chief Falaschetti, Deputy Chief Heusing and Attorney J. Motylinski.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee J. Bakker to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2020 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

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

**Approval of Bills:** The bills for the month of September were reviewed and a motion was made to pay bills by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

**NON-Discussion Agenda**

**Chief's Report:** Chief Falaschetti gave updates on fire inspections, station, training tower, ESO Software, MABAS 24/27 Fire Academy training, Will County Cares Act, COVID-19, FEMA grants, Foreign Fire Board and officer meetings.

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

**General Public:** N/A

**Discussion Agenda:**

**1. Committee Reports:**

**A. Personnel** – Chief gave update on personnel shortage.

**B. Public Relations** – N/A

**C. Communications** – Trustee M. Waterman and Chief gave updates.

**D. Village Liaison** – Chief gave updates on parking lot and fire inspections.

**E. Legal Update** – N/A

**F. Pension Board** – Chief gave update from Pension Meeting.

**G. Station** – Chief meets daily with RC Wegman Superintendent.

**2. Unfinished Business**

**3. New Business**

**A.** A motion was made by Trustee J. Bakker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to open public hearing on tentative budget for fiscal year ending April 30, 2021. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes. A motion was made by Trustee J. Bakker, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to close public hearing on tentative budget for fiscal year ending April 30, 2021. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

**B.** A motion was made by Trustee J. Bakker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to adopt Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 0924-20 for fiscal year ending April 30, 2021. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

**C.** A motion was by Trustee D. Kolosh seconded by Trustee J. Bakker to approve the purchase of turn out gear lockers for \$15,125.00 from Air One. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee J. Bakker to approve the purchase of kitchen

appliances for \$15,915.00 from ABT. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to purchase office furniture for Lieutenants office for \$14,577.00 from McGrath Office Equipment. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes. A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee J. Bakker to purchase office furniture for the chief, admin offices and conference room for \$19,990.00 from McGrath Office Equipment. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

**D.** A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee J. Baker to instruct Attorney J. Motylinski to set the Tax Levy at 105% for the tax year 2020.

**Scheduled Seminar** – Trustee D. Kolosh will attend trustee training October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Next Meeting Date/Time:** Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 7:00pm

**Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57pm was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee J. Bakker, motion carried.

**Recorded by**  
**Angie Koehne**  
**Administrative Assistant**