

North Aurora Fire Protection District
2 N Monroe Street • North Aurora, IL 60542

Minutes of the Board Meeting

December 16, 2009

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Auchstetter at 7:30 p.m., and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members present: Gerald Auchstetter, Richard Brackett, Fred Coppes, Richard Haen, and Chief Steve Miller. Trustee Fatten was absent.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Brackett and seconded by Trustee Coppes to approve the November 18, 2009 Regular Board of Trustees minutes. Vote taken; all in favor. A motion was made by Trustee Coppes and seconded by Trustee Brackett to approve the Truth-in-Taxation Hearing minutes. Vote taken; all in favor.

Correspondence

No Correspondence

Treasurer's Report

Richard Haen read the Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Trustee Brackett and seconded by Trustee Coppes to approve the Treasurer's report. Vote taken; all in favor.

Presentation of Bills for Payment

A motion was made by Trustee Haen and seconded by Trustee Coppes to approve the bills that were presented for payment. Vote taken; all in favor.

Review of Annual Schedule of Activities

Chief Miller requested that a 2 member committee be formed to review the closed session minutes as part of the semi-annual review to determine if they can be released..

The annual audit has been filed with the County and the State of Illinois Comptroller. The Treasurer's Report has been filed with the County as well as the proof of publication and the levy has been filed with the County as well. The exempt properties have also been certified.

Report of Fire Chief

There have been 1,756 calls for service to date.

Chief Miller reported that the infrastructure of the radio system is currently being installed in the water towers and that work at the stations will begin next week. Aurora may not be able to move the 911 center from the old police department to the new facility until Spring. Our system infrastructure will be completed by then and the acceptance testing will be performed when possible. The grant will be closed out after we receive the small amount remaining.

Chief Miller reported that Captain Ekstrom is looking into the value of the old ambulance. He stated that, once the value is determined, he will inform the Trustees to determine the sales price

Chief Miller reported that he has reviewed the new WC insurance policy for the upcoming year. He is meeting with VFIS next week and is investigating other providers as well. If VFIS is unable to reduce their rates significantly, it may be necessary to switch coverage to Corkill Insurance. Corkill is offering comparable coverage with some enhancements at a much lower cost.

We are posting meeting dates for next year and will be sending the dates electronically to the Daily Herald.

Chief Miller reported that Sugar Grove is interested in purchasing the SCBA trailer and taking on the liability for it. Chief Miller suggested that we allow them to purchase it for \$1 since it is no longer of any use to us.

The Illinois Fire Service Institute has taken away our ability to schedule and register classes. They will be doing their own as they do for all of the other regional training centers. As a result, they have taken away the profit that we have to run the office or pay the employee. Therefore, we are closing the office as of December 31, 2009 and any residual work that may come from that office will be handled by the remaining office staff and the training department.

Committee Reports

No Committee Reports.

Old Business

No Old Business.

New Business

A new FOI policy has been issued and a new email address has been created (FOIA@nafid.org). All emails will be received by Chief Miller, evaluated, and then forwarded to Jean Powell (who has been named as the FOI Officer) for processing. A motion was made by Trustee Haen and seconded by Trustee Coppes to accept and adopt the new policy. Vote taken; all in favor.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Executive Session

No Executive Session

Consideration of other Matters as may Lawfully come before the Board

None.

Next Meeting

The next regular Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on January 20, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at 2 North Monroe Street, North Aurora, Illinois.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Haen and seconded by Trustee Coppes to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken and all approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jean Powell