

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

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
5/17/2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Trustees present: Kevin Fatten, Gerry Freese, and Chuck Kuhn

Present: Fire Chief Klemencic, Deputy Chief Bunkofske, Attorney Shawn Flaherty, Battalion Chief Christensen, Anthony Miceli, and Crystal Pennington.

Public Comment

Anthony Miceli of Speer Financial notified the board of preliminary financing numbers and a schedule to draw bonds for station replacement.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Freese and seconded by Trustee Kuhn to approve the April 2023 meeting minutes. Vote taken; all in favor.

Correspondence

The district received a notice from Kane County regarding the distribution of funds.

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Trustee Freese and seconded by Trustee Kuhn to approve the April 2023 Treasurer's report. Vote taken; all in favor.

Presentation of Bills for Payment

A motion was made by Trustee Kuhn and seconded by Trustee Freese to approve the April 2023 bills that were presented for payment. Vote taken; all in favor.

Old Business

None

New Business

- a. A motion was made by Trustee Freese and seconded by Trustee Kuhn to adopt ordinance 2023-02 authorizing a committee pursuant to and in compliance with the decennial committees on local government efficiency act. Vote taken; all in favor.
- b. A motion was made by Trustee Kuhn and seconded by Trustee Freese to approve the amendment to the land swap agreement with the Village of North Aurora. Vote taken; all in favor.

- c. A motion was made by Trustee Kuhn and seconded by Trustee Freese to approve Bernardi Securities, Inc. as underwriter for the district's bonds. Vote taken; all in favor.
- d. A motion was made by Trustee Freese and seconded by Trustee Kuhn to appoint Chuck Kuhn as Pension Trustee. Vote taken; all in favor.

Report of Fire Chief

- a. Run Report –
 - a) April 2023 – 186 Calls
 - b) April 2022– 213 Calls
 - c) As of May 5, 2023-857, 2022-870
- b. April Anniversaries-None
- c. Chief Klemencic reported that he will have a Public Hearing held on the Budget & Appropriations Ordinance for the 2023-2024 fiscal year before the June 21st, 2023, Board of Trustees meeting. A preliminary budget will be available on May 19th.
- d. Lieutenant Lisa Kish will be retiring from the district on May 29th. A celebration of service will be held on June 17th. Mike McDevitt will be promoted to Lieutenant to fill her position prior to the June 21st Board of Trustees meeting.
- e. Stipend checks for the Board of Trustees 2022-2023 fiscal year will be out within a couple of weeks.
- f. The North Aurora Firefighters Association will be hosting the 23rd Annual Golf Outing on September 16th, 2023
- g. Health Insurance costs have risen about 10% this year. The district was able to negotiate the costs to 5.2%. After discussion with the Union, it was decided to stick with the current Blue Cross Blue Shield plan.
- h. Chief Klemencic attended the Fire Department International Conference and was able to gather lots of information that will help with station replacement. He also attended the annual pension conference.
- i. Chief Klemencic stated that the department will be holding monthly meetings with the North Aurora Police Department to help strengthen their working relationships. He is hoping to bring more social interaction outside of work-related calls.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Shawn Flaherty reported that he will have a package instructing the Decennial Committee of what to expect when reporting to the county in November of 2024. He stated that this is the last week of the general assembly, and he will notify us of any changes in legislation that will affect the district.

Committee Reports

None

Trustees' Comments

Trustee Auchstetter stated that he is up for reappointment on the Pension Board of Trustees and will not be seeking reappointment. He told the Board to contact the Pension Board if anyone is interested in filling the vacated seat.

Closed Session

None

Consideration of other matters as may lawfully come before the Board.

None

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be June 21, 2023, at 6:30 pm at North Aurora Fire Station 1.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Kuhn and seconded by Trustee Freese to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken; all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Crystal Pennintgon