North Aurora Fire Protection District

2 N Monroe Street • North Aurora, IL 60542

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

10/18/2023

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Trustees present: Kevin Fatten, Gerry Auchstetter, and Gerry Freese

Present: Deputy Chief Bunkofske, Battalion Chief Joe Wilmes, Attorney Shawn Flaherty, Jon Gray and Crystal Pennington.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

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

Correspondence

None

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was not passed due to questions regarding vendor balances and check register balances. This will be added to November's meeting.

Presentation of Bills for Payment

A motion was made by Trustee Auchstetter and seconded by Trustee Freese to approve the September 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 Auchstetter to donate the Surplus 2007 Stryker Cot Model: MX Pro R3 S/N: 071040288 to MABAS. Vote taken, all in favor.
b. An Ordinance establishing the Fire Prevention Code and Life Safety Code for the North Aurora Fire Protection District was presented to the Board of Trustees and will be presented at the November meeting.

Report of Deputy Fire Chief

a. Run Report –
    a) September 2023 – 208 Calls
    b) September 2022– 209 Calls
    c) As of October 10, 2023-2,059, 2022-2,008
b. September Anniversaries – Betsinger, Confiliano, Maldanado – 1 Year

c. Deputy Chief Bunkofske reported that the shift crews were working hard this past week to keep up with fire prevention presentations, hydrant flushing, and dealing with not-so-great weather conditions and have exceeded expectations given the circumstances.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Shawn Flaherty discussed that the Veto session will resume in November. Two items that may affect the district are the Paid Leave for All Workers Act and the paid time off for part-time employees bill. He will keep us updated on what happens in the session. He also presented the Board of Trustees with the two options for the Tax Levy due to CPI being above 5 percent. Option 1 go for typical 4.99% or Option 2 go for the maximum 6.5% and hold a Truth in Taxation hearing. The Board intends to comply with new construction value to hold a truth in taxation hearing and seek a 6.5% increase.

Committee Reports

Fire Station Replacement

Trustee Fatten reported that the station replacement is moving smoothly. Footings for the building should be poured on October the 20th and walls will be set shortly after. There were delays with the permits. The site permit has passed. There is a little more paperwork regarding the building permit. That should be completed soon.

Trustees' Comments

Trustee Fatten reported that he spoke with Trustee Brackett regarding his post-surgery recovery. He is feeling much better, progressing with his therapy, and looking forward to attending Novembers Board of Trustees meeting.

Closed Session

None

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

None

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be November 15, 2023, at 6:30 pm at North Aurora Fire Station 1.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Auchstetter and seconded by Trustee Freese to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken; all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Crystal Pennington