



Carol Stream Fire Protection District Board of Trustees

**William Natick, President
Richard Fisher, Secretary
Karl Langhammer, Treasurer
James Panopoulos, Trustee
Brian Jordan, Trustee**

CAROL STREAM FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES April 8, 2024

President William Natick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call was taken. Present: Trustee Brian Jordan, Trustee James Panopoulos, Trustee Karl Langhammer, President William Natick, Chief Robert Schultz, Deputy Chief Tom Nash, Deputy Chief Jason Day, Battalion Chief Chad Grandgeorge, James Howard, and Attorney Joe Miller. Trustee Richard Fisher was absent.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the open meeting minutes from March 11, 2024. Seconded by Trustee Panopoulos, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Approval of Travel Expenses

N/A

Approval of Payment of Bills

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the payment of bills from March 25, 2024 in the amount of \$606,429.58. Seconded by Trustee Panopoulos, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Trustee Jordan motioned to approve the payment of bills from April 8, 2024 in the amount of \$394,069.04. Seconded by Trustee Panopoulos, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Reports

James Howard presented the board with the treasurer's report month ending February 2024.

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending February 2024. Seconded by Trustee Panopoulos, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Old Business

Station 29 column removal project

Deputy Chief Day noted that the bid packet will be posted and available next week and should hopefully have bids to review at the next board meeting.

New Business

FY 2024-25 Tentative Budget for Review

James Howard presented the Board with the Districts FY 2024/25 tentative budget.

The board received and reviewed the tentative budget.

Non-Union Pay Increases for FY 2024/25

Chief Schultz is requesting a 3.50% raise for all non-union employees, except for the full-time administrative assistant. He is requesting a salary increase of \$7,000.00, with no additional 3.5% increase this year for the full-time administrative assistant. The collective bargaining unit employees will receive a 3.50% raise according to the current union contract effective June 1, 2024. If approved for non-union employees, increases will be effective June 1, 2024.

President Natick motioned to approve the non-union employee salary raise of 3.50% & \$7,000.00 salary increase for the full-time administrative assistant effective June 1, 2024. Seconded by Trustee Jordan, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MSW Consulting Pay Increase

Chief Schultz is requesting a 3% increase in the contract price for MSW Consulting for IT services. Their last increase was June 2022.

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the 3% increase in contract price with MSW Consulting effective June 1, 2024. Seconded by President Natick, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Appointment of Commissioner

Chief Schultz stated that Ken Anderko's term is up June 1, 2024. He is interested in serving another term and has served since 2002.

Trustee Jordan motioned to approve the re-appointment of Ken Anderko as Fire Commissioner effective June 1, 2024 for a 3-year term. Seconded by President Natick, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Reports of Trustees, Chiefs, and Attorneys

Chief Schultz informed the board that he did not receive any silent auction bids for the surplus vehicles and he will post them both in the Daily Dispatch.

Deputy Chief Nash noted that they will have the bids ready to send out for the project at Station 27 once the bids are complete for the project at Station 29.

Deputy Chief Day noted that we've had some challenging calls the last few weeks, but the culture here is supporting each other and the community. We work hard for you and you work hard for us – thanks for supporting us.

Attorney Miller informed the board that there is a bill out there regarding fire service maternity/paternity leave, outside of what is provided with FMLA. He will update the board with any additional information he receives as the bill progresses.

Public Comments

N/A

Closed Session

Trustee Langhammer motioned to enter closed session at 7:34 p.m. for discussion regarding probable litigation under 2(C)11. Seconded by President Natick, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motioned carried.

Trustee Langhammer motioned to return to open session at 8:08 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Panopoulos, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

There being no further reports or business to conduct at 8:09 p.m. Trustee Langhammer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by President Natick, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Note: The next regular Carol Stream Fire Protection District Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Richard Kammes Fire Protection District Station 28, located on Kuhn Road in Carol Stream.


Richard Fisher, Board Secretary