

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 10, 2023

President William Natick called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the open meeting minutes from March 13, 2023. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five 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 for March 27, 2023 in the amount of \$500,800.03. Seconded by Trustee fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Trustee Panopoulos motioned to approve the payment of bills for April 10, 2023 in the amount of \$380,899.58. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Reports

James Howard presented the Board with the treasurer's report for month ending February 28, 2023.

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the treasurer's report for the month ending February 28, 2023. Seconded by Trustee, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Approval of Transfer(s)

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the transfer of \$105,000.00 from the corporate fund to the pension fund. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Old Business

N/A

New Business

FY 2023/24 Tentative Budget

James Howard presented the Board with the Districts FY 2023/24 tentative budget.

The Board received and reviewed the tentative budget.

Appointment of Commissioner

Chief Schultz stated that Bob Hoff's term is up June 1, 2023. He is interested in serving another term.

President Natick motioned to approve the re-appointment of Robert Hoff as Fire Commissioner effective June 1, 2023 for a 3-year term. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Non-Union Pay Increases for FY 2023/24

Chief Schultz is requesting a 3.50% raise for all non-union employees that would take effect June 1, 2023. The collective bargaining unit employees will receive a 3.50% raise according to the current union contract.

President Natick motioned to approve the non-union employee salary raise of 3.50% effective June 1, 2023. Seconded by Trustee Langhammer, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Surplus of walk-behind mower

Chief Schultz would like to surplus the 36' Toro walk-behind mower that is no longer needed at station 28. He would like to conduct an internal silent auction with a beginning bid of \$250.00.

President Natick motioned to approve the surplus of the Toro walk-behind mower. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Discussion of Sprinkler Ordinance

Chief Schultz noted that the Board wanted to discuss further the sprinkler ordinance. Trustee Panopoulos explained that he does understand it is about the safety of everyone, but does believe that it should be up to the homeowners to decided. Deputy Chief Nash noted that yes, it does have to do with safety but also believes that the ordinance should be consistent with the village and county.

Attorney Miller noted that there is no liability if the district does or does not pass this ordinance. Trustee Langhammer asked if Attorney Miller if there was any update on the bill that would help with the cost of residential sprinklers — Attorney Miller noted that he does not anticipate the state to appropriate the money for that.

Deputy Chief Nash that he would look into everything further with Deputy Chief Day – he noted that the county does have a code, that covers unincorporated areas, but it is not applied the same way as the village.

Reports of Trustees, Chiefs, and Attorneys

Chief Schultz congratulated Trustee Langhammer and Trustee Panopoulos the election, he appreciated the support that they give to him and everyone at the district.

Chief Schultz reminded the Board that Deputy Chief Day's swearing in ceremony will take place on Thursday on the bay floor and that the employee picnic will be on May 13th, 2023.

Attorney Miller reminded everyone that the decennial committee needs to be ready by June 10th – this should be made up of the Board of Trustees and two citizens of the district and requires three meeting within 18-months. The district will be required to submit the report every ten years.

Trustee Panopoulos and Trustee Fisher congratulated everyone on the election.

There being no further reports or business to conduct at 7:57 p.m. Trustee Jordan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five 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 8, 2023 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