



## **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 OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES January 11, 2021**

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

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

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

President Natick motioned to approve the open meeting minutes from December 14, 2020. Seconded by Trustee Langhammer, 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 for December 28, 2020 in the amount of \$707,245.86. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Trustee Jordan motioned to approve the payment of bills for January 11, 2021 in the amount of \$644,928.22. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

#### **Treasurers Reports**

James Howard presented the Board with the Treasurer's Report month ending November 2020.

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report ending November 2020. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

## **Advance Notice of Intent to Purchase**

N/A

## **Old Business**

### **Station 29 Remodel Completion Update**

The Station 20 remodel is complete. All invoices have been received and they we are working on cutting checks. Chief Schultz noted that construction started 3 years ago and was all broken out into phases. Phase 1 was having the concrete replaced and the accessory garage being built. Phase 2 was a complete interior remodel and new generator. Phase 3 was the exterior, with new siding, lighting, gutters, soffits, and landscaping. Phase 4 the bay floors were re-surfaced, and they got new bay floor flights. We were also able to add a new watch desk on the apparatus floor.

The total project cost was \$1.4 million dollars. Everyone at Station 29 is very pleased with the project results and really appreciates it. Everyone was troopers and that station never had to go out of service during the projects, which is a true testament of the group that works there.

## **New Business**

### **Review of Closed Session Minutes and Approval of Destruction of Closed Session Meeting Records**

The Board reviewed the bi-annual review of closed session minutes and recordings.

Trustee Jordan motioned to approve Resolution 2021-01, authorizing the destruction of closed session recordings by the Carol Stream Fire Protection District. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, four eyes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

### **FY 2021/2022 Budget Process**

Chief Schultz reminded the Board that they will start the budget process at the end of January. By the next Board meeting, they will have distributed staff function budgets. The Board should have the budget for their review by April or May.

### **Approval of New Tower Ladder**

Chief Schultz is requesting approval to purchase a new tower ladder fir Tower 28. The District formed a New Tower Ladder Committee in July 2020, who designed the new tower ladder. They have been working with Fire Services Inc. on the design process and he is recommending that they make the purchase through the Houston-Galveston Area Council. This will give the District the best pricing and save time and money on building our own specs and going out to bid. Chief Schultz is also recommending that the District

proceed with a pre-payment which will save additional money. The estimated build time for the new tower ladder is out about a year from the order date.

Trustee Langhammer Motioned to approve the advance purchase of a 2021 E-One 95' Tower Ladder through the Houston-Galveston Area Council in the amount of \$1,230,122.00. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

### **Approval of Hydraulic Tools & Equipment for New Tower Ladder**

Chief Schultz would like to purchase new hydraulic rescue equipment for the new tower ladder. The current hydraulic tools would remain on the reserve tower ladder as a backup. The current backup tools would be traded in or sold through the District. Chief Schultz also noted that he will be applying for two grants to offset or cover the cost of the purchase, The State Fire Marshall Grant and the AFG Grant. The cost of this equipment would not exceed \$86,000.00 dollars.

The grants are not awarded to mid-summer and the equipment would not be purchased until.

Chief Schultz is also asking to purchase new equipment for the tower ladder, this equipment additional equipment would allow the current equipment to be used on the spare apparatus to also be equipped and ready to go. The cost of this equipment would not exceed \$74,000.00 dollars.

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the advance purchase of hydraulic tools & equipment for the New Tower Ladder, not to exceed the amount of \$160,000.00. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

### **Possible Surplus of Reserve Tower Ladder**

Chief Schultz would like permission to surplus the reserve 1996 tower ladder. This tower ladder we could possibly trade-in for \$10,000.00, but he recommends trying to sell it independently. He would like permission now to start advertising the tower ladder so that when we receive the new tower ladder, we possibly have a sale lined up. The advertising is \$550 per each 10-week period.

The Board gives Chief Schultz direction to begin advertising the reserve 1996 tower ladder and will surplus once the new tower ladder is received.

### **Reports of Trustees, Chiefs, and Attorneys**

Chief Schultz informed the Board that he will have the stats regarding OT, payroll and etc. for the year for the Board soon. Please let him know if anyone would like anything specific in there.

Chief Schultz noted that anyone who wanted the vaccines, have started to receive the second shot. He wanted to thank Glen Oaks hospital; they have been great through the process.

Trustee Langhammer wanted to thank everyone who worked hard on Station 29, thank you to everyone for being so flexible.

President Natick thanked Karl, the Chiefs and everyone who worked so hard to make the Station 29 projects great.

### **Public Comments**

N/A

### **Closed Session**

Trustee Jordan motioned to enter closed session at 7:37 p.m. for discussion regarding district employment under 2(C) 1. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, four ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Trustee Jordan asked if we are able to raise the flags to full staff at the fire stations and why they are still at half-staff? Deputy Chief Nash noted that the governor ordered the flags to half staff due to the pandemic. Battalion Chief Reid stated that the flags are honoring the ones that are lost due to COVID and they would have to speak with the firefighters at the houses to see how they feel.

There being no further reports or business to conduct at 8:52 p.m. Trustee Fisher motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Langhammer, 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, February 1, 2021 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