

Bensenville Fire Protection District #2

500 S. York, Bensenville, IL 60106

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

January 27, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Trustee Robert Madura, called the meeting to order at 4:52PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE:

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

3. ROLL CALL:

Upon roll call, the following Board Members were present:
Robert Madura, Douglas Eltman, Jerry Budnik

A quorum was present

ABSENT:

OTHERS: Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak, Attorney Karl Ottosen via Zoom, and other members of the Fire Protection District.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS & RECOGNITIONS

A. None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The minutes were presented for the Regular Meeting on December 16, 2021 and special meeting of January 13, 2022.

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to approve the Regular meeting on December 16, 2021.

Trustee Eltman seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to approve the Special Meeting of January 13, 2022 as presented and keep the closed session minutes closed.

Trustee Eltman seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

6. TREASURER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR DECEMBER

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to approve the expenses and payroll as follows:

Paid Bills Operating: \$157,094.86
Fifth Third Credit Card: \$1,140.62
Super Fleet Credit Card: \$2,911.20
Payroll \$252,018.85
Total: \$413,165.53

Trustee Eltman seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

A. None

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Richard Waychoff, lieutenant for the Bensenville Fire Protection District discussed The following:

- He thanked the board of trustees for approving the Safer grant to allow the Hiring of three more firefighter paramedics upon being awarded the grant.
- He discussed the expiration of the memorandum of understanding as it relates To the allowance of part time personnel on the fire apparatus. He expressed Wanting to renew the MOU for the 2022 year.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS

Attorney's Report

None

Administrative Updates

None

10. OLD BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION ON UPGRADING TELECOMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak discussed the progress of obtaining Proposals for the transition to a VOIP system for both stations.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION OF VEHICLE REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE

Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak presented a draft of the vehicle replacement Plan with supporting documentation provided by Lieutenant Eugene Martin.

B. APPROVAL TO TRANSFER ONE MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CORPORATE FUND TO THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak made the recommendation to transfer One million dollars from the corporate fund to the capital reserve fund to support the vehicle replacement schedule and future capital expenses.

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to approve the transfer of one million dollars from the corporate fund to the capital reserve fund.

Trustee Budnik seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

C. APPROVAL TO TRANSFER FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE AMBULANCE FUND TO THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak made the recommendation to transfer Five hundred thousand dollars from the ambulance fund to the capital reserve fund to support the vehicle replacement schedule and future capital expenses.

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to approve the transfer five hundred thousand dollars from the corporate fund to the capital reserve fund.

Trustee Budnik seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

D. DISCUSSION ON CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak discussed capital expenditures as it relates to vehicles, stations and equipment. Upcoming expenses include upgrading the Telephone system for both stations, roof repair, Scba's and MDT's on the vehicles.

E. DISCUSSION ON RESCUE EQUIPMENT – SCBA’S

Battalion Chief Angel Reyes discussed current inventory of SCBA’s and the condition of the equipment. He provided two quotes for 21 SCBA’s as requested by the board. 9 of those SCBA’s were destroyed in the Ellis Fire. BC Reyes discussed his reasoning for choosing SCBA’s manufactured by Scott. The equipment is covered under warranty for the life of the SCBA’s the Scott brand has been used for decades at the Bensenville Fire Protection District so there is a strong familiarity with the brand.

F. DISCUSSION OF GRANT FOR THE REPAIR OF ROOF

Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak provided an update on status of payment for the state grant. The payment has been approved for release.

G. APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FEMA SAFER GRANT 2022

Battalion Chief Adam Lager presented the conditions and terms of the Safer Grant for the hiring of three more firefighter paramedics. The grant covers 100% of the cost for three new hires for the term of three years. BC Lager

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to approve the submission of the SAFER grant as presented.

Trustee Budnik seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

H. APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH IPPFA

Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak discussed the administrative services agreement that is to be signed each year for the administration of the employee funded retirement account options with the Bensenville Fire Protection District.

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to approve the administrative services agreement with IPPFA as presented.

Trustee Budnik seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

I. APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT OFFER OF PTAB APPEAL FOR 608 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE IN BENSENVILLE, IL

Deputy Administrator Brendaliz Mak discussed the settlement offer put together by the attorneys of Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins for the property located at 608 Country Club Drive in Bensenville. The attorneys recommend

accepting this settlement offer. In addition to the 2019 and 2020 pending PTAB appeals, this settlement includes a resolution of the 2021 tax year at the Board of Review level, which will avoid a PTAB appeal and refunds from the Consortium, resulting in approximately \$30,000 in additional savings for the Consortium.

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to approve the settlement offer of PTAB Appeal as presented.

Trustee Budnik seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

J. APPROVAL TO PROVIDE COVERAGE AND COMPENSATION FOR THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL UNIT CITATION

The State Fire Marshal Unit citation was discussed. Battalion Chief Angel Reyes applied to recognize personnel that responded to call where a Bensenville Police officer was badly injured. To attend the event, coverage of personnel is being requested for one day.

CLOSED SESSION 5:53PM

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to move the meeting into closed session for purpose of:

- Personnel matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1)
- Collective negotiating matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 2)

Trustee Budnik seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

OPEN SESSION 6:38PM

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to move the meeting into open session.

- Personnel matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1)
- Collective negotiating matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 2)

Trustee Eltman seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Trustee Madura made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:39PM

Trustee Eltman seconded that motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried



