

Rochester Fire Protection District

700 East Main Street, Rochester, Illinois

Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2019

I. Call to order

President Riggs called to order the regular meeting of the Rochester Fire Protection District at 7:00 p.m. on June 12, 2019 at the Rochester Firehouse.

Swearing in of new trustees:

Martin Fairchild, John Fox and Gary McBride received their Certificates of Election to the positions of Trustee for the Rochester Fire Protection District. Certificates were presented from Don Gray Sangamon County Clerk and the Sangamon County Board of Elections after which they took their Oaths of Office by President Bill Riggs.

II. Roll call

Trustee Fox conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: President Riggs, Trustee McBride, Trustee Fox, Trustee Leonard, and Trustee Fairchild. Also present was Chief Archer

Election and seating of Trustee Positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer:

President: Motion made by Trustee Leonard for Bill Riggs sighting his previous performance as President and leadership abilities in hopes of continued positive and effective performance. Motion was seconded by Gary McBride. Three requests for Nominees were made with no other nominees or motions. Vote was taken and passed with a Majority vote of approval.

Treasurer: Motion was made by Trustee Fox for Gary McBride as Treasurer and was seconded by Trustee Leonard. Three requests were made for Nominations with no other nominees. Vote was taken and was passed with a Majority vote of approval.

Secretary: Motion was made by Trustee McBride for John Fox as Secretary and was seconded by Trustee Leonard. Three requests for Nominations were made with no other nominees. Vote was taken and passed with a Majority vote of approval.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Meeting minutes from the May 8th meeting were presented. Trustee Leonard made a motion to approve the minutes, second by President Riggs. Motion to accept was made and approved with a majority vote.

IV. Treasurer's Report

President Riggs presented the Treasurer's report as of June 12th, 2019. Trustee Leonard made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, second by Trustee Fox. Motion to accept was made and approved with a majority vote.

V. Chief's Report

Presented by Chief Archer;

- May 11th Chief Archer and 2 other members attended IFSI Resiliency for First Responders and Mental Health at Harristown FPD.
- May 13 RFPD was represented at Federal Post Office Dedication in Harristown for deceased US Navy member Logan Palmer killed in the line of duty.
- May 14 Chief Archer and 3 members attended the Annual Illinois Firefighter Memorial Ceremony, Springfield.
- May 19 RFPD Hosted the Mustang Owners Club in the Training Room.
- May 21 RFPD Members attended the annual Elmcroft / Wyndcrest First Responders appreciation lunch and presentation.
- May 30 RFPD attended training on Max Fire Box devise we purchased with Divernon and Pawnee at Divernon FPD.
- June 4 Chief Archer met with Sesquicentennial event committee to outline the July 13 event being hosted by RFPD at the Fire Station.
- June 6-9 Chief Archer and 2 Members attended the Annual U of I IFSI Fire College at Champaign campus.
- June 7 Chief Archer attended the IFSI Leadership Development and Decision-Making training class at Champaign.
- June 8 Chief Archer attended the IFSI Fire Ground Simulations Training at Champaign

May Calls:

37 EMS
6 Fire

43 Total calls

5 Training sessions
 2 Special Duty

Trustee Leonard made a motion to accept the Chief's report, second by Trustee Fox. Unanimously approved.

VI Old Business

Legislative Action – Senate Bill 37:

Presentation by Trustee Fairchild of the bills outcome stating that at this point in time it passing does not affect us.

Engineering report:

President Riggs awaiting contact from Hansen Engineering. Nothing to report at this time. Open discussion amongst the Trustees was made of the current drainage ponds and the drainage from the building. Reduction as to the size of the ponds is possible but is not believed that total

elimination of the drainage ponds will occur. This will not be known until after review by an engineer.

Purchase of land:

District has completed the purchase of land behind the fire station. Trustee Fairchild will approach the individual that had been farming the field for the Dioceses to review the previous agreement for submission to the Fire Board for review and approval.

EJ Water:

Trustee Fairchild updated communication he had made with EJ water. Trustee Fairchild reported that only maintenance hydrants will be installed into the system and not the "Fire Department Supply Hydrants" as previously reported. These will be of no cost to the Fire Protection District. Documentation of the communication with EJ Water and specifications were supplied to President Riggs for file and review.

VII. New Business

No new business brought forward.

VIII. Public Comment

No public comment made.

IX. Adjournment

At 7:36 pm

The next regular meeting will be July 10th, 2019 at 7 pm.

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