

**MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
TRUSTEES' MEETING
MARCH 12, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Mokena Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at Mokena Fire Station #1 at 7:00 PM.

Present: President William Haas, Treasurer Ken Blank, Secretary Robert Hennessy, Trustee Ken Lenz, Trustee Craig Warning Chief Howard Stephens (was out of town but attended the meeting by video conference), Assistant Chief/Deputy Administrator Joe Cirelli, Assistant Chief Rick Campbell, Recording Secretary Kathy Ferraro

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING, CORRECTIONS, APPROVAL

Ken Blank made a motion, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2019 Trustee meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

UNION REPORT

None

A/C Campbell provided the Trustees an overview of the ladder truck (19-08). Trustees inspected the truck.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Ken Lenz, to accept the Monthly Statement as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

Ken Lenz made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$205,427.90 as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

None

CALENDAR AND CHECKLIST

The names of those required to file Economic Interest Statements will be receiving notification from the County Clerk to complete the registration process.

ASSISTANT CHIEF CAMPBELL'S REPORT

Pierce has completed the corrosion repairs and the additional repair items to the pump. The truck has passed both UL pump test and the UL ladder test. The truck was delivered back to MFPD on February 20th. The maintenance personnel have performed an inspection and a routine preventive maintenance on the truck. The truck did have a small oil leak coming from the engine that was repaired by Chandlers under warranty. During the inspection the brake chambers, front steering end links, and center tie rod ends were found to be worn. These items were replaced by Chandlers.

Engine 92 (HME), went to Chandler Services for a cracked spring hanger. The spring hanger has been repaired and the engine is now back in service.

During regular schedule maintenance on the apparatus, the maintenance division is now collecting oil and coolant samples. These samples are sent out to an independent lab for testing. This test will provide information on the condition of the oil and coolant that are in our apparatus.

The floor drains at Station 2 were clogged and not draining properly. Bruns Septic Service came out and serviced the floor drains.

The ambulance and engine bay heaters at Station 2 were not heating properly. Midwest Environmental came out and serviced both heaters.

The Board approved the following class requests:

Todd Newton
Mark Sickles

Blue Card recertification
Will-Cook-Grundy County 2019
Fire Investigation Training Conference

The March training calendar was reviewed by the Board.

The Board reviewed the POC ride-along report for the month of February.

ASSISTANT CHIEF CIRELLI'S REPORT

We have remained active and committed to support Laraway Dispatch in improving their provided service levels. The USDigital Dispatch (USDD) has been turned back on, allowing for automated notification and dispatch of units. This automation should aid in reducing the unit notification times.

A brief overview of the Laraway Executive Board meeting that was held on February 26th was provided.

A/C Cirelli attended the monthly Homer Glen Public Services and Safety Committee on March 6th, where a proposed update to their AED ordinance was discussed. This proposed amendment would require all businesses with a permitted occupancy greater than 50 to have at least one AED on site. Further discussions will occur prior to any committee recommendation. It is important to note that the MFPD currently has no businesses within the Village of Homer Glen.

The Village of Mokena is in the process of reviewing their building codes and have provided code amendments for review. Lt. Sickles is currently reviewing these.

We currently have two employees who remain out on reported duty-related injuries.

The approval of the 2019 Standard of Coverage is an agenda item.

Recently there was a fire alarm at Mokena Elementary School. It was determined that it was caused by an overheated unit in one of the bathrooms. Upon implementing the guidelines from the Crisis and Safety Committee, the building was safely evacuated and the fire extinguished. A/C Cirelli commended the superintendent, Dr. Don White, along with the staff at Mokena Elementary School and the crew from Mokena Fire on doing an excellent job.

St. Mary's School will be hosting their annual Gala Event in April, 2019. They have requested the Fire District to provide a Ride to School in a fire truck to the winner of the auction. The Trustees all agreed to provide the Ride to School for their event.

The Trustees reviewed the February code enforcement reports and public education surveys.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Stephens wanted to reiterate to the Board of Trustees, that in his absence the implementation of the succession plan is effective and working successfully. He also expressed his gratitude to the Trustees and the District on their support.

The FY2019 ambulance billing data was reviewed.

Letters received this month:

- A thank you letter was received from Nancy Feigel for the flower arrangement sent to her on recovering from her surgery.

Newspaper articles this month:

- Articles were published in the Mokena Messenger regarding the evacuation at Mokena Elementary School due to a heater malfunction, CPR and Basic First Aid classes and January calls of service. The Mokena Messenger also published an article on the annual "Volley for a Cure" which was held at Mokena Junior High School and consisted of a Volleyball game between the Mokena School District 159 staff and Mokena First Responders. Proceeds went to the Cancer Support Center.

The Trustees reviewed the monthly alarm reports for January.

Six Customer Satisfaction Surveys received in the past month were shared with the Board.

APPROVE COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT FOR CHRIS SURDEL

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Craig Warning to approve the Commissioner Appointment for Chris Surdel. Motion passed with all ayes

REVIEW AND APPROVE THE UPDATED STANDARD OF COVER

Ken Blank made a motion, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to approve the updated standard of cover. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Ken Blank aye; Robert Hennessy aye; Ken Lenz aye; Craig Warning aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM after a motion by Robert Hennessy.

Robert Hennessy
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Recording Secretary:
Kathy Ferraro