

**MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
TRUSTEES' MEETING
JULY 12, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Mokena Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at Mokena Fire Station #1 at 7:00 PM.

Present: President William Haas, Treasurer Ken Blank, Secretary Robert Hennessy, Trustee Craig Warning, Trustee Dennis Burkhardt, Chief Joe Cirelli, Assistant Chief Rick Campbell, Recording Secretary Nancy Feigel

Visitors: Attorney Tom Gilbert, Lt. Lenz, Lt. Cresto, Lt. Moeller, Lt. Boomsma, Eng. Shefcik, Acting Engineer McNellis, Firefighter Romadka

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING, CORRECTIONS, APPROVAL

Dennis Burkhardt made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022, Trustee meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

Craig Warning made a motion, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022, Closed Session meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

UNION REPORT

Lt. Lenz, president of Local 4270, commended the current administration on the ability to disagree but also find common ground during the recent negotiations between the Mokena FPD and Mokena Professional Firefighters, I.A.F.F. Local 4270. It was a positive experience and greatly appreciated by all the firefighters.

FINANCE REPORT

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

The cost recovery billing information was reviewed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Craig Warning made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$134,451.25 as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Trustee Blank commented on the 4th of July parade and how nice all the fire apparatus looked.

Trustee Hennessy thanked the firefighters for all the outstanding customer satisfaction surveys we receive.

CALENDAR AND CHECKLIST

The hearing and adoption of the budget will be held later in the meeting. The budget will then be published and filed with the County Clerk.

We are continuing to work on the annual audit.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT

The code enforcement report and community risk reduction surveys were reviewed by the Board.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AND I.A.F.F. LOCAL 4270

Chief Cirelli thanked the Board for the trust that he and A/C Campbell were given in the negotiation process. He also thanked Local 4270 for the good working relationship they had during the negotiations.

Craig Warning made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to approve the Agreement Between the Mokena Fire Protection District and the Mokena Professional Firefighters, I.A.F.F. Local 4270 for the term June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2027. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Ken Blank aye, Robert Hennessy aye, Dennis Burkhardt aye, Craig Warning aye, Bill Haas aye.

ORDINANCE # BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Craig Warning, to open the budget and appropriation hearing. Motion passed with all ayes. There were no public comments. Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Craig Warning, to close the hearing. Motion passed with all ayes.

Robert Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-1, *an ordinance providing for budget and appropriation of the Mokena Fire Protection District, Will and Cook Counties, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2022 and ending May 31, 2023*. Motion passed with all ayes. The appropriate copies were signed. Ottosen Dinolfo Hasenbalg & Castaldo, Ltd. will publish the ordinance.

REVIEW AND APPROVE UPDATED FIRE PREVENTION ORDINANCE

Craig Warning made a motion, seconded by Robert Hennessy, to approve Fire Prevention Ordinance No. 2022-2 as amended, *an ordinance adopting a fire prevention code prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion and establishing a bureau of fire prevention and providing officers therefore and defining their powers and duties*. Motion passed with all ayes.

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FISCAL YEAR 2022 YEAR END BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Craig Warning made a motion, seconded by Ken Blank, to approve the FY2022 budget adjustments as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

ASSISTANT CHIEF CAMPBELL'S REPORT

The 2018 Freightliner ambulance out of Station 3 was out of service for approximately one week due to a faulty turbocharger. The turbocharger was replaced by Chandler Services at a cost of \$5,900. The ambulance is now back in service.

The 2008 Pierce truck out of Station 2 was out of service for approximately one week due to worn out bushings in both transverse torque rods. All four tires on the rear axle needed to be replaced due to this condition. The truck is now back in service.

We received a quote from Jack Buss Concrete Construction to replace the front walk leading to the main entrance door and an 8' x 32' section of the driveway at Station 1 for \$5,800.

WGN Flag and Decorating repaired the flagpole at Station 3 at a cost of \$730.

IDOT has notified us that construction on the Wolf Road bridge over I-80 will begin at the end of July. The bridge will be closed through the end of November 2022 and then reopen for the winter. The bridge will be closed again from April through August 2023. We have created alternate routes during the bridge closure.

We responded to a detached residential garage fire on 192nd Street on June 25. The fire was contained to the detached garage and was under control in approximately 10 minutes. One patient was treated for minor burns to his hand.

A Unified Incident Action Plan was developed for the 4th of July festivities. The ESDA command bus was used for unified command with the Police Department, Fire District, ESDA and a representative from Laraway Communication Center on the day of the event and everything went smoothly without incident. A discussion ensued on the fire apparatus placement in the parade. In the case of an emergency, we would need to be able to get out quickly to respond. It is also not prudent for the Fire Chief to drive the antique for the same reason. In order for us to participate in future parades, we cannot be behind any vehicles.

The July training calendar was reviewed by the Board.

FIRE CHIEF CIRELLI'S REPORT

We are closing out fiscal year 2022 and beginning to work on the audit. The auditor will be at the September or October meeting.

At the close of the application period for full-time testing, there were 27 applications purchased. The next step will be the written exam in August.

We have one member that remains on a duty-related back injury.

Chief Cirelli informed the Board that Laraway Communication Center has money in surplus funds. There is a proposal to allocate \$50,000 to each agency for the purpose of purchasing communications equipment. The intent of this proposal is to support a move towards transitioning all agencies to the county 800mhz radio system. There was discussion regarding if this was a fair proposal for all agencies.

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

MONTHLY INCIDENT REPORTS

The Trustees reviewed the monthly alarm reports for June.

CORRESPONDENCE

Interim Police Chief Brian Benton awarded the following personnel with a Life Saving Award as a token of esteem from the Mokena Police Department for their prompt actions and dedication to duty in saving the life of a cardiac arrest patient in February 2022:

Station #1 – Lt. Gotter, Engineer Wiencek, Firefighter Porter
Station #2 – Lt. Swanson, Engineer Bukowski, Firefighter Ruhbeck
Station #3 – Lt. Cresto, Engineer Berger, Firefighter Meyer
Admin – Assistant Chief Campbell

LARAWAY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER (LCC) BOARD OF DIRECTORS ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES

Bill Haas is currently the primary representative on the LCC Board and Chief Joe Cirelli is the alternate. Chief will be on vacation for the July meeting.

Craig Warning made a motion, seconded by Dennis Burkhardt, to name A/C Richard Campbell as the alternate representative through the month of July 2022. Motion passed with all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM after a motion by Robert Hennessy.

Robert Hennessy
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Recording Secretary: Nancy Feigel