

MINUTES
OSWEGO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
June 10, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Trustees Present: Ken Holmstrom, Jason Bragg, Rob DeLong and Rodger Long. Absent: Sarah Zameda Also present: Chief Josh Flanders, DC Dan Schiradelly, DC Dan Gallup, Exec Asst Wendy Knack and Attorney Shawn Flaherty

The Regular Meeting of the Oswego Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:00 pm at Station 1, 3511 Woolley Road, Oswego, IL

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Holmstrom and seconded by DeLong to accept the Agenda as posted. Voice vote: Aye - 4 Nay - 0 Motion carries

*Greg Kuhn from NIU-CGS was on-hand to present the Strategic Plan process and overview for Trustees and Staff and how things will progress going forward

Trustees and Staff shared their thoughts on the experience and what their goals will be going forward as well. It was a very beneficial experience for all.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by DeLong and seconded by Holmstrom to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of May 13, 2024. Voice vote: Aye – 4 Nay - 0 Motion carries

PUBLIC FORUM:

None

3. TREASURER’S REPORT:

Brad O’Sullivan of GAI presented the Treasurers Report, Financial Statement and Budget Outlook. As of May 31, 2024, these were the account balances for the Oswego Fire Protection District:

Byline Bank Checking	\$ 369,179
Byline Bank MM	\$ 4,961
Byline Bank PR Acct.	\$ 225,263
Byline Bank RE Tax	\$ 693,471
Petty Cash	\$ 2,305

First Natl Bank Money Market	\$ 17,991
Byline Bank CD	\$ 269,913
OFPD Charles Schwab Acct.	\$ 970,007
Allied Bank MM	\$ 169,902
Schwab Bond Acct	<u>\$ 7,886,237</u>
Total District Assets:	\$10,609,768

The motion was made by Bragg and seconded by Holmstrom to approve the Treasurer’s Report.
 Voice vote: Aye-4 Nay-0 Motion carries

4. BILL LIST:

Trustees reviewed the proposed list of bills for payment.

Trustee Bragg had a question regarding a purchase from Knox Co.

A motion was made by Bragg and seconded by DeLong to approve the bills as listed. Roll call vote: Aye – Bragg, Long, Holmstrom and DeLong Nay - none Motion carries

See the Oswego Fire Protection District bill list attached.

5. STAFF REPORT:

Chief Flanders updated the Trustees on current Staffing numbers and progress on new hires. He informed them of some training that crews have been doing this month. He told them Aurora FD will be using our training tower for some of their training. He gave then an update on the new FT Mechanic and the status of repairs and maintenance on various vehicles. Medic 1 has been waiting on the State Inspection-we were finally authorized to do a Self-Inspection and could put Medic 1 into service.

DC Schiradelly gave the Board an update on Station 1 overhead doors and billiards being painted. He discussed the submittal of a Grant in the amount of \$75,000. He told them the preliminary budget was in for the Station 2 remodel. Carpet cleaning for Stations 1,3 & 4 are scheduled. The ALTA Survey for Station 5 has been completed.

Chief Flanders wonders how often the Board would like Capt. Keenum to update them on projects in the District. He talked about increasing our social media presence for outreach to our residents. He told them the softball tournament sponsored by the District raised \$9,000 for charity. The next swearing-in ceremony will be held on July 15th.

6. TRUSTEE INITIATIVES:

Trustee Bragg took a moment to compliment Staff on the exemplary job they’ve done in recent weeks. He welcomed DC Gallup to Staff.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Long also welcomed DC Gallup. He talked about how much he appreciates the efforts of Staff and Crews to get out in the public and attend community events.

8. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Flaherty touched on several bills that passed the IL House and Senate that would affect Fire Districts.

9. OLD BUSINESS:

None

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- Review of Closed Session Minutes was held for discussion in Closed Session
- Destruction of Closed Session Audio Tapes older than 18 months was discussed. A motion was made by Holmstrom and seconded by Bragg to approve destroying Closed Session Audio Tapes prior to December 10, 2022. Roll call vote: Aye-Long, Holmstrom, DeLong and Bragg Nay-none Motion carries
- The Agreement with Lamp Construction was discussed. A motion was made by DeLong and seconded by Holmstrom to authorize Staff and Legal Counsel to contact Lamp for final language on contract and cost-sharing. Roll call vote: Aye-Holmstrom, DeLong, Bragg and Long Nay-none Motion carries
- The need to make an appointment to the Pension Fund to fill the vacancy left by Chief Cornish was discussed. A motion was made by Holmstrom and seconded by DeLong to appoint retired Chief Rick Neitzer to fill the remainder of Chief Cornish's term on the Pension Fund Board. Roll call vote: Aye-DeLong, Bragg, Long and Holmstrom Nay-none Motion carries

CLOSED SESSION:

President Long entertained a motion to enter Closed Session. A motion was made by Holmstrom and seconded by DeLong to enter Closed Session at 6:15 pm for the purpose of discussing personnel and collective bargaining. Voice vote: Aye-4 Nay-0 Motion carries

Open Session was resumed and called to order at 7:34pm

No action was taken following Closed Session

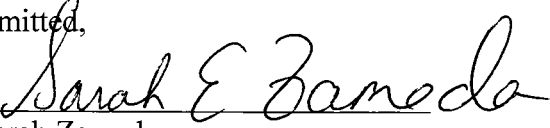
ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further questions or comments from the public in attendance, and no further

discussion by The Board, on a motion by Bragg and seconded by Holmstrom, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm Voice vote: Aye-4 Nay-0 Motion carries

Respectfully submitted,

SECRETARY


Sarah Zamede