



Carol Stream Fire Protection District Board of Trustees

**William Natick, President
Richard Fisher, Secretary
Karl Langhammer, Treasurer
James Panopoulos, Trustee
Brian Jordan, Trustee**

CAROL STREAM FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES July 8, 2024

President William Natick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call was taken. Present: Trustee Brian Jordan, Trustee James Panopoulos, Trustee Karl Langhammer, Trustee Richard Fisher, and President William Natick, Chief Robert Schultz, Deputy Chief Tom Nash, Deputy Chief Jason Day, Battalion Chief Dan Stelter, James Howard and Attorney Joe Miller.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the open meeting minutes from June 10, 2024. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Approval of Travel Expenses

N/A

Approval of Payment of Bills

Trustee Panopoulos motioned to approve the payment of bills from June 24, 2024 in the amount of \$548,278.81. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Trustee Panopoulos motioned to approve the payment of bills from July 8, 2024 in the amount of \$383,364.83. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Reports

James Howard presented the Board with the treasurer's report for month and fiscal year ending May 31, 2024.

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 2024. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Review of Closed Session Minutes & Approval of Resolution 2024-02

Trustee Jordan motioned to table approving resolution 2024-02 destruction of closed session meeting recordings, until the next scheduled meeting. Seconded by Trustee Fisher, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Old Business

N/A

New Business

Rate increase for Governmental Accounting, Inc.

The district goes through an audit yearly, and has received comments and/or deficiencies regarding the number of journal entries the auditors have to enter each year. We are hoping to correct the issues for the 2024 audit. The entries that they are making are referred to as the "GASB 34 Entries" and would need to be entered by the comptroller. Our comptroller, James Howard is requesting an additional \$200.00 per month (\$2,400.00 annually) to take care of these entries.

Trustee Langhammer motioned to approve the additional \$200.00 per month to Governmental Accounting, Inc. Seconded by President Natick, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Discussion & possible approval of Station 28 sign

The fire district has looked into replacing the Station 28 sign in front of the firehouse. The current sign is part of the original sign that was built with the station and the electronic message part of the sign does not work and is unrepairable. Chief Schultz met with two sign companies to get pricing and designs that can utilize the existing brick foundation that we have and presented the Board with the renderings.

Trustee Fisher motioned to approve moving forward with Parvin Claus for the Station 28 sign project, rendering #2, for \$14,182.00. Seconded by Trustee Langhammer, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Discussion & possible approval to purchase an ambulance

Medic 29 will be due for replacement in 2027. Currently, the lead time on a new ambulance is between 2-2.5 years minimum. Chief Schultz reached out to see what the price would be and currently, the price would be \$404,381.00 (up from \$394,000.00 last year). This price is through the Houston-Galveston Area Council purchasing cooperative, which we have purchased through previously, and the fire district would pay for the ambulance upon delivery. He is recommending that we order the ambulance now to keep us on track with our vehicle replacement program and to save the district considerable money and time if there are further price increases and wait times continue to increase.

Trustee Jordan motioned to authorize Chief Schultz to order (1) new ambulance through the Houston-Galveston Area Council purchasing cooperative, in the amount of \$404,381.00. Seconded by Trustee Panopoulos, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Approval to replace apparatus bay windows on the east side of Station 27

Deputy Chief Nash explained that while they are doing the siding project at Station 27, they also need to replace the three large windows in the maintenance bay, which have rot in the sill areas. They would like to replace them with non-operating storefront type windows that would be glass and aluminum. He received two quotes and is recommending moving forward with Fox Valley Glass and Mirror which quoted a price of \$9,995.00.

Trustee Fisher motioned to approve the purchase of (3) bay windows from Fox Valley Glass & Mirror in amount of \$9,995.00. Seconded by Trustee Langhammer, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Reports of Trustees, Chiefs, and Attorneys

Chief Schultz noted that the Battalion Chief list is finalized and will posted July 6, 2024. The parade and fireworks both went very well, no calls related to either.

Chief Schultz stated the EMS citation last week went great, the gentleman and his family was able to be there.

Deputy Chief Nash passed out renderings of the siding colors for Station 27, almost everyone likes the darker color. President Natick stated that everyone is good with this.

Deputy Chief Day stated that the steel for the project at Station 29 is being done this week and they should start the project sometime within the next couple of weeks.

Attorney Miller explained that Governor Pritzker signed a bill that will amend the competitive bidding statute effective January 1, 2025 – more to come on this.

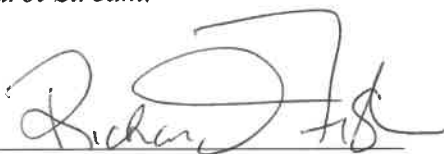
All the Trustee's stated that the parade and was great and everyone did a great job. Thanks, Chief.

Public Comments

N/A

There being no further reports or business to conduct at 7:41 p.m. Trustee Jordan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by President Natick, five ayes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Note: The next regular Carol Stream Fire Protection District Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, August 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Richard Kammes Fire Protection District Station 28, located on Kuhn Road in Carol Stream.



Richard Fisher, Board Secretary