

Central Stickney Fire Protection District 4951 SOUTH LOTUS AVENUE STICKNEY TWP., ILLINOIS 60638

Bruce Zelasko, President Fortino Carrillo, Treasurer Karl Frixen, Secretary

December 8, 2022

The Central Stickney Fire Protection District Board held their Regular Monthly Meeting on December 8, 2022 at the Central Stickney Fire House, 4951 S. Lotus Avenue, Stickney Township, Illinois, 60638.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ROLL CALL

Fortino Carrillo Bruce Zelasko

Karl Frixen was absent.

ALSO PRESENT

Brian McMahon, Chief Beth Attard, Attorney Sue Staneart, Recording Secretary

Mr. Zelasko called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

PUBLIC INPUT

Christina Julius from Joseph R. Julius, Ltd. presented the Board and Chief with a copy of the Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2022. She went on to hit a few highlights in the report noting that the taxes were up due to the PPRT which should keep going up a little each year unless there's a recession. The GMT Funding brought in \$283K with \$90K of it having to be paid back to the state. The expenditures for the Department were pretty much the same this year.

Ms. Julius pointed out that the Financial Highlights of the Audit were on P. 4; the outstanding debt to be paid off is on p. 46; p.17 is the notes to financials required; P.31 highlights the IMRF which looks good because they're at a breakeven point; p. 45 explains where the tax money was spent.

There was a discussion on how GMT money from the feds has a portion paid back to the state in early July.

Ms. Julius asked if there were any questions that she could answer either now or if they think of something later, they should feel free to call her.

Chief McMahon noted that as discussed by Mr. Cainkar last year, we went for the Referendum thinking that it was going to bring in \$200K, but now with the EAV we'll be only getting \$100K, so we should let the residents know in layman's terms what really happened. We were excited to think that we would have a little higher pay than the Summit Fire Department only to learn that they just increased their pay higher than us. It's like a kick in the teeth!

Mr. Zelasko said that the literature that the Firefighter's Association sent out to the residents had numbers to save us so we should let them know how this really turned out.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to approve the November 10, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to approve payment of the Bills Payable with a total disbursement of \$197,945.11.

Mr. Zelasko asked the Chief what the \$17,000 check to the Treasury was for.

Chief McMahon explained that the Treasury always adjusts what the Quarterly Taxes are and then we get a refund, so he didn't pay and now we're off. This is three quarters worth of correction.

Ms. Julius offered take a look at it for the Chief to see what can be tweaked, explaining that it could be based on an individual's withholding tax.

Chief McMahon thanked her saying that he'd send the quarterly info and payroll for her to look at.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Ms. Attard did not have anything to report this month.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Carrillo read the following Treasurer's Report dated November, 2022:

Opening Baland DEPOSITS	\$634,025.99				
11/7/2022	Medical Reimbursement		2,779.94		
11/7/2022	Food & Flowers Club		216.00		
11/14/2022	VFIS: Tow Bill Refund		695.00		
11/22/2022	Medical Reimbursement		87.80		
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 3,778.74				
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EXPENDITURES					
PAYROLL, TAXE	44,224.30				
BILLS PAID	<u>197,945.11</u>				
TOTAL EXPEND	<u>\$242,169.41</u>				
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CLOSING STATE	\$ 51,593.82				
		CHECKING 3	\$144,892.18		
		SAVINGS	\$199,706.07		
		TOTAL	<u>\$396,192.07</u>		

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to approve and accept the Treasurer's Report.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief McMahon reported that there were 63 total calls for the month of November, 2022.

Fire:	45		Ambulance:	18
In-town Fires:	15		In-town:	14
M/A Fires:	30		M/A:	4

Fuel used: Gasoline: 56.3 gallons Diesel: 98.0 gallons

There are no major incidents to report.

Training & Haz-Mat:

Total Contact Training Hours for November: 142

Driver's Training: 51 Hours Fire Training Topics: 88 Officer Training: 3

The three topics for this month's training were:

- 1. Fire Department SOP's & Order of Response: Crews will review SOP's & Daily Communications Binder and Order of Response in Radio Room
- 2. Cross Lay Lead outs: crews will practice lead outs with cross lays. Crews should practice dry and wet and leading out up-stairs.
- 3. Stair—chair use: Crews will review the user's manual for the stair-chair that is in the Daily Communications Binder and practice with the new stair-chair.

Vehicle, Equipment, and House Maintenance & Other:

- In November we had one new hire, a previous member returned. FF/PM Andrej Tylka and now Candidate Sidzinka finished the Fire Academy in Romeoville and will begin orientation shifts. FF/PM Herrera returned from lay-up and will be back on the schedule in January. Two members still on leave of absence (Naser, Corcoran). We lost 1 employee Bob O'Loughlin to Resignation (no time anymore).
- We are still struggling to fill the schedule and now have 29 members eligible monthly to fill the schedule.
- ESO Firehouse software (our state fire report program) will sundown on 12/31. We are hard
 at work getting the new program called Image Trend Program up and running by January 1st.
- We are still working with Fire Services to get all the vehicle PM's completed by the end of the year. 907 is still at the shop, 906 & 908 are still waiting. A problem with the hydraulic pump for the ladder rack on S907 and FSI waiting for parts is currently holding us up. So 906 & 908 can't go in until 907 comes back.

Chief McMahon explained that we'll have access to information from 10 years on the backup drive. It costs \$2,000 more/year but it's the program that everyone else is using. And because everyone in the Division agreed to use it we all got a discount on it.

There is no Fire Prevention and Public Safety Report submitted by D/C Staidl this month due to a family emergency.

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to approve the Chief's Report.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Navs: None.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Zelasko announced that a Truth in Taxation Hearing is scheduled for tonight.

Mr. Zelasko called the Truth in Taxation Hearing to order.

Mr. Zelasko asked if there were any questions to come before the Truth in Taxation Hearing.

There were no questions asked or comments made.

Mr. Zelasko closed the Truth in Taxation Hearing.

Mr. Zelasko announced that Approval of Ordinance No. 3-2022 is on tonight's agenda.

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 3-2022, an Ordinance Providing for the Levying, Assessment and Collection of Taxes for Corporate and other Purposes in the Central Stickney Fire Protection District for the Fiscal year Beginning April 1, 2022 and Ending March 31, 2023.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Mr. Zelasko announced that a discussion and approval of new pay rates for Shift Duty is on the agenda.

Mr. Zelasko motioned second by Mr. Carrillo to approve the January 1, 2023 salary increase per the Chief's rate of pay suggestions for shift duty pay.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bruce Zelasko, Bresident

Karl Frixen, Secretary