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# *Central Stickney Fire Protection District*

4951 SOUTH LOTUS AVENUE STICKNEY TWP., ILLINOIS 60638

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

January 11, 2024

The Central Stickney Fire Protection District Board held their Regular Monthly Meeting on January 11, 2024 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  
Mike Cainkar, Attorney  
Sue Staneart, Recording Secretary

Mr. Zelasko called the meeting to order at 6:28 P.M.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

Chief McMahon called the whole shift crew into the meeting.

He presented Joseph Wood with a 15-year Service plaque and congratulated him.

He presented Lt. Juan Lopez with a 15-year Service plaque and congratulated him.

Chief McMahon then announced that the following members had been promoted:

| <b><u>Member:</u></b> | <b><u>From:</u></b> | <b><u>TO:</u></b>    |
|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Juan Lopez            | Lieutenant/EMT      | Captain/EMT          |
| Brian Bedtke          | Engineer/Paramedic  | Lieutenant/Paramedic |
| Henry Gresik          | Firefighter/EMT     | Engineer/EMT         |
| Joseph B. Wood        | Firefighter         | Engineer             |
| Daniel Howard         | Firefighter         | Engineer             |

Chief McMahon congratulated them. The Trustees congratulated all of the members.

The room erupted into applause

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to approve the December 14, 2023 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 \$61,823.29.

Chief McMahon pointed out the two largest payments this month were for the GEMT – the 50% payment to the State of Illinois for the handling fee and the insurance to the Illinois Public Risk Fund.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko  
Nays: None.

Motion carried.

#### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Mr. Cainkar reported that we will need to have another Decennial Meeting in February. We will have to notify Mr. Hansen and Ms. Mucerino to attend the meeting.

Mr. Zelasko said that Mr. Hansen no longer lives in the district so we will have to replace him.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Carrillo read the following Treasurer's Report dated December, 2023:

|                                      |                                |               |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Opening Balance for December 1, 2023 |                                | \$ 746,061.43 |
| DEPOSITS                             |                                |               |
| 12/1/2023                            | Cook County Tax                | 6,469.19      |
| 12/6/2023                            | Cook County Tax                | 158,052.60    |
| 12/6/2023                            | Medical Reimbursement          | 39,453.34     |
| 12/6/2023                            | Food & Flowers Club            | 216.00        |
| 12/6/2023                            | Liberty Nat'l Refund           | 32.94         |
| 12/7/2023                            | Cook County Tax                | 76,130.76     |
| 12/7/2023                            | Medical Reimbursement          | 576.39        |
| 12/11/2023                           | State Property Replacement Tax | 8,490.04      |

|                                   |                       |                      |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 12/13/2023                        | Cook County Tax       | 2,214.62             |
| 12/22/2023                        | Cook County Tax       | 1,095.17             |
| 12/28/2023                        | Medical Reimbursement | <u>418.71</u>        |
| TOTAL DEPOSITS FOR DECEMBER, 2023 |                       | <u>\$ 293,149.76</u> |

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| EXPENDITURES                          |                   |
| PAYROLL, TAXES, IMRF, FEES            | 56,091.90         |
| BILLS PAID                            | <u>61,823.29</u>  |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR DECEMBER, 2023 | <u>117,915.19</u> |

|   |            |                     |
|---|------------|---------------------|
| CLOSING STATEMENT BALANCES FOR DECEMBER 31, 2023: | CHECKING 2 | \$369,732.89        |
|   | CHECKING 3 | \$202,523.50        |
|   | SAVINGS    | <u>\$350,167.33</u> |
|   | TOTAL      | \$922,423.72        |

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 53 total calls for the month of December, 2023.

|                |    |            |    |
|----------------|----|------------|----|
| Fire:          | 27 | Ambulance: | 26 |
| In-town Fires: | 16 | In-town:   | 21 |
| M/A Fires:     | 11 | M/A:       | 5  |

Fuel used:      Gasoline: 53.8 gallons      Diesel: 83.1 gallons

There are no major in-town incidents to report.

December 1<sup>st</sup> our crew responded to Cicero 5931 W. 16<sup>th</sup> St. for an apartment fire. Crew did a great job and worked multiple areas of the fire and were out at the scene for 6 hours.

Training Report:

Total Contact hours of training: 742

Fire Training Topics: 255

Officer Training: 0

Drivers Training, Vehicle Checks, Maintenance checks & Other: 487

The training topics for December were:

1. Review of Community Target Hazards
2. Officer Rear Lead outs

### 3. EMS: Pit Crew CPR

The training topics for January and February are all OSHA required classes:

Blood Borne Pathogens, Confined Space, Electrical Safety, Haz-Com, Hearing Protection, HIPPA, Lock-out-Tag-out, Respiratory Protection, Trench Safety, EEOC Compliance, Sexual Harassment.

We will also be conducting the annual SCBA testing per OSHA.

Vehicle, Equipment, and House Maintenance & Other:

- In December we had 0 new hires. Five members on leave of absence (Corcoran, Herrera, Tesch, Nikischer, Quijada – 1-yr military leave). One member Laid up FF Baena.
- We still have open shifts, and no applications came in. We now have 29 members eligible monthly to fill the schedule.
- The proposal to give a \$200 Bonus to a current member that recruits a Paramedic to CSFPD has been implemented but no new hires as of yet. An add has been placed on the Blue Line.

The annual Santa Around Town Parade was scheduled for December 17<sup>th</sup>. Candy canes were handed out and this was a great event as usual. Special thanks to D/C Staidl and all of the members that came out to help.

Chief McMahon read the following Fire Prevention and Public Safety Report for December, 2023 submitted by Deputy Chief Staidl:

1. I received notification from FSCI that Reliable Fire & Security called to move their inspection on 12/07 to 12/14 at 4801 S. Lorel Ave for Alarm – 52 Devices – Punch list (12/04)
2. I received notification from FSCI that MVP Fire Protection's submittal for the new fire suppression system at Starbucks 4751 S. Central Ave was approved. (12/11)
3. I received notification from FSCI that Reliable Fire & Security passed their inspection on 12/14 at 4801 S. Lorel Ave for alarm – 52 Devices – Punch list (12/19)
4. I received notification from FSCI that dnD Fire Protection's submittal for the new 13D fire suppression system at Residence: 4836 S. Long Avenue was approved. (12/20)
5. I received notification from John Ciuverca with Kitchen Deal LLC that they have decreased the scope of work for the residential remodel at 5055 S. Lotus Ave., however they have not revised the drawings to show the decreased scope, therefore the plans are still not approved at this time.
6. Janet Yates with B&F has been working with Combined Warehouse 4920 & 5000 S. Central Ave to fix all open violations; minor improvements have been made. They are working to schedule the required tests and inspections. Janet was last onsite November 15<sup>th</sup> for a progress check/re-inspection. She will be back out in February.
7. I was notified by MVP Fire Systems (Sprinkler Contractor) and Security Unlimited, Inc. (Fire Alarm Contractor) that Jett Transport/Midwest Warehouse/Bedford Motors at 4900-4910 S. Monitor Ave., is refusing to pay for past due invoices from two years ago.

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to approve the Chief's Report and the Fire Prevention and Public Safety Report.

ROLL CALL:     Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko  
                  Nays: None.

Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Lt. Bedtke presented Chief McMahon with the stripes to go on his dress uniform that goes along with the plaque that he was awarded last month for being named Firefighter of the Year.

The Trustees congratulated the Chief and thanked him for everything he does for the district.

The room erupted in applause.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

ROLL CALL:     Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko  
                  Nays: None.

Motion carried.

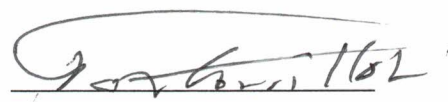
The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,





Bruce Zelasko, President



Fortino Carrillo, Treasurer