

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

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

January 13, 2022

The Central Stickney Fire Protection District Board held their Regular Monthly Meeting on January 13, 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**

Mike Cainkar, Attorney Sue Staneart, Recording Secretary

Mr. Zelasko called the meeting to order at 6:27 P.M.

# **PUBLIC INPUT**

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to donate \$2,000.00 to the Firefighter's Association for their Christmas party.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to approve the December 9, 2021 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 \$39,455.01.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

# **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Mr. Cainkar informed the Board that he knows the new Forest View manager so he's suggesting that the two Fire Chief's get together to improve the relationship between the two towns in a few weeks.

Mr. Zelasko said OK, he's looking forward to that meeting.

# **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Carrillo read the following Treasurer's Report dated December, 2021:

Opening Balance for December 1, 2021:		\$677,037.37
DEPOSITS		
12/2/2021	Medical Reimbursement	1,070.81
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12/6/2021	Medical Reimbursement	83.09
12/13/2021	State Property Replacement Tax	5,999.72
12/16/2021	Medical Reimbursement	401.99
12/20/2021	Medical Reimbursement	100.50
12/21/2021	Medical Reimbursement	617.10
12/28/2021	Medical Reimbursement	387.68
12/31/2021	Medical Reimbursement	<u>395.89</u>
TOTAL DEPOSITS FOR DECEMBER, 2021		<u>\$ 9,389.14</u>
EXPENDITURE	S	
PAYROLL, TAXES, IMRF, FEES		39,575.80
BILLS PAID		<u>39,455.01</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR DECEMBER, 2021		\$ 79,030.81

CLOSING STATEMENT BALANCE FOR December 31, 2021:

CHECKING 2

\$400,719.34

CHECKING 3 \$105,562.34 SAVINGS \$ 99,430.26 TOTAL \$605,711.94

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**

Mr. Zelasko reported that there were 63 total calls for the month of December, 2021.

 Fire:
 39
 Ambulance:
 24

 In-town Fires:
 18
 In-town:
 17

 M/A Fires:
 21
 M/A:
 7

Fuel used:

Gasoline: 59.6 gallons

Diesel: 109.1 gallons

December 12th Santa Around Town Parade. Great turnout. Thanks to all.

December 22<sup>nd</sup> crews responded Auto-Aid to 6550 S. LaVergne in Bedford for an AFA. While enroute Bedford arrived and found a fire. Our crew was out at this fire for 6 hours which turned out to be a 3-11 alarm. Great Job by our dedicated crew.

December 23<sup>rd</sup> crews responded Mutual Aid to Lyons on the 2-11 alarm to 7733 Ogden. Crew did a great job with searches, overhaul and extinguishment.

Training & Haz-Mat:

Total Training Hours for December: 128

Driver's Training: 57 Hours

Mandatory OSHA Training: 38 Hours

Firefighter Training: 33 Hours

Vehicle, Equipment, and House Maintenance & Other:

We continue to be vigilant in the Pandemic and in December we had 4 members off duty for positive or suspected positive COVID-19. We continue to follow the CDC guidelines

Mr. Zelasko read the following Fire Prevention and Public Safety Report submitted from D/C Staidl for December, 2021

1. No preplans for the month.

- 2. I had numerous discussion with Charlie Hrebic (Fire protection Company), Stefan Kaplarevic (Rose Packing Project Engineer), Phyllis Krage (FSCI) and Hannah Rodriguez (FSCI); FSCI had not approved the sprinkler drawings for the Rose Packing office remodel. I approved them with a condition that forwards me the missing information. Unfortunately the missing information was unable to be found, so we required Fire Protection Company to re-submit a new set of updated drawings.
- 3. I received notification from FSCI that dnD Fire Protection inspection at 4902 S. Lockwood Ave. on 12/3 of 28 sprinklers 2 hr. hydro/pipe pitch/rough. Passed (12/6)
- 4. I received an email from Sheryl Linnemann (Bleck Architects, who) is planning a second floor office remodel at Hood Container Group 4800 S. Austin Ave. I've requested further information regarding fire alarm and fire suppression system work. (12/6)
- 5. I received notification from FSCI that the Gaming Lounge 4839 S. Central Ave re-submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> review fire suppression system modifications for a remodel. (12/6)
- 6. I received notification from FSCI that Jet Transportation & Warehouse 4900 & 4910 S. Monitor submitted fire alarm system modifications. (12/7)
- 7. I received an email from Anna Lukaszczyk 4844 S. Luna Ave requesting a residential sprinkler waiver. I have requested more information from Mrs. Lukaszczyk. (12/9)
- 8. I received notification from FSCI that Rose Packing 4900 S. Major Ave. re-submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> review fire sprinkler modifications. (12/16)
- 9. I received notification from FSCI that C & E Fire Protection requested an inspection at 5030 S. Luna Ave. on 12/21 of 19 sprinklers 2 hr. hydro/pipe pitch/rough. (12.16)
- 10. I received notification from FSCI that the Gaming Lounge 4839 S. Central Ave. re-submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> review fire suppression system modifications for a remodel was approved. (12/17)
- 11. I received notification from FSCI that 5030 S. Luna Ave fire suppression inspection on 12/21 failed. Correction required: Alarms never activated during inspector's test. The control valve was open. Checked the electric panel to verify power was on. A light switch by the riser was turned on and the outside horn strobe operated continuously. The inside bell never operated. A manual test of flow switch was performed and the switch operated in 42 seconds. The inspectors test must be retested to confirm the exterior horn strobe and inside bell operate upon activation of the water flow device.
- 12. I received notification from FSCI that C & E Fire Protection requested a re-inspection at 5030 S. Luna Ave. on 12/28 of 19 sprinklers punch list items. (12/23)
- 13. I received notification from FSCI that Rose Packing 4900 S. Major Ave re-submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> review fire sprinkler modifications were approved. (12/23)
- 14. I received notification from FSCI that Technology Solutions, Inc. requested a fire alarm inspection at Rose Packing 4900 S. Major Ave. on 01/05 of 13 devices/rough. (12/29)
- 15. I received notification from FSCI that 5030 S. Luna Ave. fire suppression re-inspection on 12/28 failed. (12/30) Correction required: The inspector's test must be retested to confirm the exterior horn strobe and inside bell operate upon activation of the water flow device. The switch attached to this circuit shall be removed before retesting can occur.
- 16. I received notification from FSCI that dnD Fire Protection inspection at 4806 S. Lorel Ave. on 01/04 of 19 sprinklers 2 hr. hydro/pipe pitch/rough. (12/30)
- 17. 0 inspections and 0 re-inspections completed.

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

**ROLL CALL:** 

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Zelasko raised the issue of Shift Pay Bonus saying that it will be tabled until next month.

Mr. Zelasko reported that he and Chief McMahon had two meetings with staffing companies. It would cost the Department \$367,000 per year for one person 24/7. They cover the insurance and benefits. That is \$28,218/month for one person. He said he hopes things will go better with Forest View. The staffing company said that all of the fire departments are having staffing issues. We're not alone. It's really not about the \$1 or \$2 per hour pay, it's really about the shortage of people wanting to do the job. Summit Fire Department called during one of the meetings to ask if we're fully staffed and can help them out.... We're doing the best we can. COVID's getting every department and every company.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Zelasko raised the issue of the Food & Flowers Club. It's separate from the Firefighter's Association. They haven't followed their rules. Eight dollars comes out of everyone's check for food & flowers and no one has been turning in receipts when they spend the money. The left over monies should be purchasing new utensils for the kitchen.

The Board was the entity that started this club, so we need to take the responsibility away from the Association and put it back under the Chief's control. We need to be more transparent with employee funds.

Mr. Zelasko motioned seconded by Mr. Carrillo to take the Food and Flowers Club Funds away from the Firefighter's Association and give control and responsibility back to Chief McMahon.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

### CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you card was received from the O'Donovan family for the donation given for Jim O'Donovan's sister's funeral.

## **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 6:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Zelasko, President

Fortino Carrillo, Treasurer