

NORTH PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 16, 2024
Ramona

(Unless otherwise noted all motions are all for, none against)

In attendance:

Treasurer Ron Lundstrom
Chief Joel Hallstrom

President Brent Meade
Secretary Jeff Vaughan

Attorney Nate Noble – via phone

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM. by Chairman Meade.

- 1) **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:** Lundstrom made a motion to approve minutes for previous meetings. Vaughan second. With no questions, motion carried unanimously.
- 2) **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Total spent for the month \$199,888.02. Lundstrom made a motion to approve Treasurers Report. Vaughan second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-yes, Vaughan- yes, Meade- yes. Motion carries unanimously.
- 3) **GUESTS:** Ashley Hehn and Tom Humple.
- 4) **COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE:** None.
- 5) **PERSONNEL UPDATES:** 49 Total personnel. 39 Available Firefighters for Response. 1 Firefighter on a Medical Leave. 4 Support Staff. 4 Administrative Staff. 2 Chaplains. No New Injuries. No New Retirements. Vaughan made a motion to approve the resignation of Gracie Henthorn, and the appointments of the following 11 – Brandon Boyle, Jailene Cabrera, Carter Choitz, Tannr Pavlak, Marcus Portia, Gabriel Reyes, Alexander Rubendall, Ruth Sanchez, Katlyn Schulz, Carson Shaw, and Jan Stefanski. Lundstrom second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-yes, Vaughan- yes, Meade- yes. Motion carries unanimously.
- 6) **CHIEF COMMENTS:** 151 calls for the month, yearly total for 2023 comes to 2141.
- 7) **EMS/AMBULANCE UPDATE:** 97 total transports for the month.
- 8) **ATTORNEY'S UPDATE:** Discussion Had.
- 9) **TRAINING UPDATE:** Discussion Had.
- 10) **DIVE TEAM UPDATE:** None.
- 11) **PENSION FUND:** None.
- 12) **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. New Station Update- Steel package should be here tentatively early April.
- 13) **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Grant Writer Discussion

Vaughan made a motion to engage with Ansel Grant Writing Services as not to exceed \$5700. Meade second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-abstain, Vaughan- yes, Meade- yes. Motion carries.

B. Ordinance to Increase Ambulance Service Billing Rates

Vaughan made a motion to discuss raising ambulance service rates. Lundstrom second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-yes, Vaughan- yes, Meade- yes. Motion carries unanimously.

C. Admin Wage Increase – Lundstrom made a motion to approve \$1.00/ hour increase to match minimum wage increase. Vaughan second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-yes, Vaughan- yes, Meade- yes. Motion carries unanimously.

D. Equipment for 2nd Pickup – Tabled.

E. IMRF – Discussion Had.

F. Banquet – Vaughan made a motion not to exceed \$6000 for the annual banquet. Lundstrom second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-yes, Vaughan- yes, Meade- yes. Motion carries unanimously.

G. Apparatus Repairs/Purchases (Including but not limited to the following) - None.

H. Station Maintenance/Purchases - None.

I. Training – None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

3. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE LITIGATION & PERSONNEL PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(5) REAL ESTATE - NONE

At 8:35 PM, Vaughan made a motion to adjourn to next meeting on February 8, 2024 at 7:30 PM. Lundstrom second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-yes, Vaughan- yes, Meade- yes. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Vaughan
Secretary Board of Trustees