

**NORTH PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**November 14, 2024**  
**Harlem**

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

In attendance:

Treasurer Ron Lundstrom      President Brent Meade  
Secretary Tim Freiberg

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

1. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:** Lundstrom made a motion to approve both the October and Special Meeting minutes, Freiberg seconded.
2. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** \$944,476.49 spend in October, mostly related to new building construction costs, \$132,089 for other non-building expenses. Documents provided as to the other financials. Lundstrom stated there have been numerous updates to the financial software, but are working through them smoothly. Freiberg made a motion to approve Treasurers Report. Lundstrom second. Motion carries unanimously.
3. **GUESTS:** Ashley Hehn, as to real estate and Keith McDonald.
4. **COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE:** Village/Parks Chamber of Commerce has reached out regarding helping out with the ribbon-cutting event for the new station, will keep in mind when a date is set.
5. **PERSONNEL UPDATES:** 55 Total roster. 39 Available Firefighters for Response. 4 new recruits. David Lindberg to be terminated No injuries, resignations, retirements and/or other dismissals. Motion by Lundstrom to approve termination, Freiberg second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-yes, Meade- yes. Freiberg – yes. Motion carries unanimously.
6. **CHIEF COMMENTS:** Call volume through end of October 2024: 201 calls for the month of October, 1901 for the year, 92 calls ahead of last year. Discussed major calls.

The grant for \$50,000.00, as discussed by Senator Stadelman, no new news.

12/14/24 for holiday party

7. **EMS/AMBULANCE UPDATE:** Discussion Had, 9 privates.
8. **ATTORNEY'S UPDATE:** Tim Freiberg to be appointed to the Decennial Board with Vaughn's departure from it. Motion by Lundstrom to approve, Meade second, Motion carries unanimously.
9. **TRAINING UPDATE:** EMS training at airport, 6 people at academy.

10. DIVE TEAM UPDATE: None.

11. PENSION FUND: None.

## 12. OLD BUSINESS

### A. New Station Update

-Concrete seal coating, originally around \$12,000.00, was able to get down to \$4,282.

-Two unpaid invoices, due to Midwest Dirt insolvency, \$16,454.50 and \$4,323.92, need to be figured out as soon as possible. Randy to speak to Chad regarding best way to handle unpaid invoices, concerns voiced about them putting a lien on the new station, discussion as to whether we should invoke insurance to cover. Will discuss further once best route is discussed with Chad.

## 13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tax Levy Ordinance 2024/25-2: Lundstrom Motion to Approve, Freiberg second, Roll Call Vote, Freiberg-Yes, Meade-Yes, Lundstrom-Yes.

B. Holiday Party: Set for 12/14/24, asking for up to \$2,000.00 for funds for party, Motion to approve up to \$2,000.00 for funds for party by Freiberg, Lundstrom-second, motion carries unanimously.

C. Exhaust Filtration System: \$66,489.00 for diesel filter system, tabled to later date

D. Training Room Divider: \$22,077.00 for training room divider, which is sound proof for training purposes, Motion to Approve by Lundstrom, Freiberg-2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carries unanimously.

E. Exterior Building Signage: \$8,190.05 quote by J&B, \$14,000+ by Image Signs, Motion to Approve by Freiberg, Lundstrom-2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carries unanimously. Andy to check quotes on backlighting for exterior signage before moving forward.

F. Reimbursements: Currently \$45,000.00, suggestion would be to raise to \$55,000.00 or higher. Motion to increase by Lundstrom, Meade-2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carries unanimously.

G. LED/Curb Sign: \$38,000.00 quote for signage, tabled for later.

H. 849 Surplus: 2013 Silverado to be sold. Motion for sale by Lundstrom, Freiberg-2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carries unanimously.

I. Real Estate Offer: Offer on Wood property of \$260,000.00, Offer on Ramona for \$90,000.00, both with assignment of insurance claim. Decided to counter the current offers by raising the total (for both properties combined) by \$17,500.00 and remove the assignment of insurance claims.

J. Bridge Financing from County: Keith McDonald spoke on concerns by County and the progress, suggested cutting request of funds. Motion by Lundstrom to reduce the amount of the loan from \$500,000.00 to \$350,000.00, Freiberg-2<sup>nd</sup>, Roll Call Vote: Lundstrom-yes, Freiberg-yes, Meade-Yes, Motion carries unanimously.

K. Apparatus Repairs/Purchases (Including but not limited to the following): None

L. Station Maintenance/Purchases: None

M. Training: None

14. PUBLIC COMMENT: Keith McDonald asked Chief how the station is responding to the County dispatch system, Chief states there are some hiccups and a learning curve, but it is working well and they will get used to it..

15. **CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE LITIGATION & PERSONNEL PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(1)** None.

16. **Decennial Board Meeting: Called to order at 8:36 p.m., Roll Call: Lundstrom-present, Freiberg-present, Meade-Present, McDonald-present.**

-Efficiency Forum held regarding ways to improve performance and efficiency.

-Motion to adjourn by Lundstrom at 8:45, McDonald-2<sup>nd</sup>, Motion carries unanimously

17. **Motion to Adjourn – NEXT MEETING: December 12, 2024 at New Station, 1011 Harlem Road**

At 8:46 PM, Meade made a motion to adjourn to next meeting on December 12, 2024 at 7:30 PM. at new station. Freiberg second. Roll call vote: Lundstrom-yes, Meade- yes, Freiberg – yes. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Freiberg  
Secretary Board of Trustees