

DOWNERS GROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT

FOREIGN FIRE INSURANCE (2%) BOARD MEETING MINUTES

For Meeting Held on 18 March 2021

Meeting called to order at 0800 hrs.

2% Board Members in attendance: Lt. Mowery, PM Meister, PM Kairis, PM Nowak

Members Absent: Chief Pindelski, PM Kinney, PM S. Markowski

Guests: D/C Tasso (Chief Representative), B/C Werner, Lt. Cipra, Lt. Johnson

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the February meeting minutes sent out for review by PM Meister, 2nd by PM Kairis. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

<u>Treasurer Report:</u>	Beginning Balance:	\$235,056.77
	Ending Balance:	\$221,212.32
	Widows Fund Checking:	\$25,000.00
	Widows Fund CD:	\$28,104.03

Treasurer Nowak advised the main expense was for the bill for the Plymovent system upgrades, and we took in a small deposit for interest on the widow fund CD.

Motion to approve the treasurer report as presented by PM Meister, 2nd by PM Kairis. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Old Business: PM Meister advised that PM S. Markowski notified him of a snafu with the purchase of the approved pressure washers. The cost had gone \$7 above the approved amount, so this purchase would have to be authorized by the board.

The pelian case requested by administration is in. D/C Tasso has it and it is ready to go.

Station #101 received the curtains and snow shovels approved last meeting.

Station #102 received the towels and blender that was approved last meeting.

Cell phone reimbursement draft policy will be tabled until next meeting due to PM S. Markowski not being able to present the language due to emergency calls.

New Business: General Fund Request

A request was presented for temporal thermometers by EMS Coordinator Dan Rietveld. The request is for 8 thermometers at significant cost. It was relayed that the Chief did not sign the request for approval, so the board can not take any action on this request. A discussion was held regarding this request. PM Kairis advised we have been working on a solution to placing thermometers into patients mouths for over 6 months now. The idea was a low cost solution to this

problem, and the board is now looking at a large expenditure for what is felt by the board should be coming from the EMS budget. PM Kairis would be receptive to splitting the cost or having Dan come to the board saying he purchased 4 and can the board match this purchase with 4 additional items. PM Nowak is concerned about the thermometers being the type that actually has to contact the patient. Lt. Mowery asked about disinfection practices and if this was a valid concern. He also felt that a split cost option would be better received by the board. D/C Tasso advised that the budgets had been cut, but training was decimated, EMS was cut but not as bad. He advised that Dan may not have a lot of room for non-budgeted expenditures. This discussion was only for information in case this is brought up for purchase request again since no action can be taken at this time.

PM Meister asked for a motion to increase the pressure washer due to the unforeseen increase in cost. A motion to increase the not to exceed (NTE) cost by \$100 by PM Nowak. 2nd by PM Meister. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

PM Meister asked if we are currently reimbursing cell phone bills or are we waiting on policy language? PM Nowak advised we are reimbursing phone bills. He advised only one bill is needed since they are on multiple month plans, and the phone number on the bill is listed for Fire Department contact.

T.S.O. Werner advised that he and PM Kinney had looked at the tower and went over the idea of how they would like the roof prop. They also have designed some repel points that are only 10 feet off the ground for training new students. T.S.O. Werner advised that for reference the cost will be somewhere around \$30,000 to \$40,000.

Good of the 2% Fund: D/C Tasso asked if it is standard to purchase an extended warranty on purchases such as TV's, Washers, and the like? Lt. Mowery advised that it is in the by-laws that if there is an extended warranty offered, it is supposed to be included with the purchase. D/C Tasso is working on updating equipment in the stations and needs information on what is covered and where the paperwork is. PM Meister will work with D/C Tasso on this.

Next Meeting: 22 April 2021 @ 0800 hrs.

Motion to adjourn made by PM Nowak, 2nd by PM Kairis. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 0847 hrs.