

DOWNERS GROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT
FOREIGN FIRE INSURANCE (2%) BOARD MEETING MINUTES

For Meeting Held on 22 October 2020

Meeting called to order at 0801 hrs.

2% Board Members in attendance: Chief Pindelski, Lt. Mowery, PM Meister, PM S. Markowski, PM Kairis, PM Nowak, PM Kinney

Members Absent: *None*

Guests: D/C Tasso, TSO Werner, Lt. Cipra

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the Foreign Fire Tax Board meeting minutes from 24 September 2020 was made by PM Nowak, 2nd by PM Kinney. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Treasurer Report: Beginning Balance: \$157,063.94
 Ending Balance: \$147,144.92
 Widow's Fund: \$ 52,024.95

2021 Foreign Fire Tax Income: \$131,620.40

Motion to approve the treasurer report was made by PM S. Markowski, 2nd by PM Kairis. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Second reading of the 2021 proposed budget was made by PM Nowak. A motion to approve the budget as read was made by PM Kairis, 2nd by Lt. Mowery. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Old Business: History scanner that was replaced due to a breakdown of the old one was completed. Pulsetek Optibook and was given to Lt. Cipra for scanning of department history items.

The woodway treadmill that has been on the docket for some time has finally been delivered to fire station #105 and is in service.

The updated entry cards have come in, PM Meister is working on the paperwork and will hopefully have them programmed by the next meeting.

The technical rescue boat has been delivered and PM Hoff is waiting for the inflator that was back ordered. He will do an in-service training once all the parts are in place.

Station #103 bay floor radio update. Board is waiting for a re-submittal from PM Tom Otake due to the original model no longer available. This will be removed from the agenda until further action is requested.

Plymovent update from D/C Tasso. D/C Tasso discussed the status of the requested purchase to upgrade and repair the plymovent system at each of the stations. It is currently waiting council approval so it can be purchased. Some

modifications need to be made and he is working with Dean from Public Works to complete those to facilitate the updated system. The board approved the cost to upgrade the front-line apparatus system and the administration will absorb the remaining costs.

Station #101 towels have been purchased and are in use.

PM Meister advised the technical rescue order is still pending. Apparently some of the order is ready, and some is back-ordered. When everything is ready then all the items will ship. He is anticipating sometime this month.

Award items for replacement stock have been ordered and are expected 07 November.

Status of board members computers was requested by Lt. Mowery. PM Nowak advised within the next two weeks the current two computers hard drives will both be replaced. Still waiting on secretary computer, will discuss at the next meeting.

New Business: Chief Pindelski asked if the board could pay for the piper for funeral duty? PM Meister made a motion to add this to the retirement line item. 2nd by PM Nowak. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

GENERAL FUND REQUEST:

PM D. Rietveld is requesting 4 additional air track intubation cameras. These will be for the front-line medics and the squad company. The current units will be moved to the non-transport apparatus. The total cost will be not to exceed (NTE) \$3500. A motion to approve this purchase was made by PM S. Markowski, and 2nd by PM Kinney. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A request for a replacement dishwasher at Station #105 for \$907.96. A motion to approve was made by Lt. Mowery, and 2nd by PM Kinney. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

PM Beck is requesting new sets of alarm keys for the new members at a cost of \$539.50. PM Kinney asked if this should be added to the things we request upon retirement. D/C Tasso advised he did not track these. Lt. Mowery advised we are spending \$540 for these keys and we haven't purchased any in at least 6 or 7 years and didn't feel like this was necessary. He suggested we just approve the purchase. A motion to approve the purchase NTE \$540 was made by PM S. Markowski, and 2nd by PM Meister. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

3 battery operated sawzalls were requested by small tools from the equipment budget NTE \$600. A motion to approve this purchase was made by PM Meister, 2nd by PM Nowak. Motion to approve passed by unanimous vote.

A request for 3 batteries for each of the aforementioned sawzalls were requested at a cost NTE \$1530. Due to the cost, a motion to purchase 6 batteries instead of 9 was made by Lt. Mowery, and 2nd by PM Nowak. TSO Werner advised he looked up on the Milwaukee direct purchase website and found them for

somewhat cheaper through Milwaukee Direct. PM Meister will look at options when he purchases.

STATION FUND REQUESTS:

Station #102:

Requests a WOK pan. A motion to approve was made by PM Meister and 2nd by PM Kairis. Motion was passed by unanimous vote.

A crock pot was requested at a cost of \$70 to replace current unit. A motion to purchase was made by PM S. Markowski, and 2nd by Lt. Mowery.

A request for Rubbermaid storage containers was requested for NTE \$55. A motion to purchase was made by PM Meister and 2nd by PM Kairis. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Pot holders were requested for a cost NTE \$20. PM S. Markowski made a motion to approve, 2nd by PM Kairis. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Digital thermometer for cooking was requested at a cost NTE \$70. PM Meister made a motion to purchase, and 2nd by PM S. Markowski. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Replacement pans were requested at a cost NTE \$220. A motion to approve this purchase was made by PM Meister, and 2nd by PM S. Markowski. This motion was approved by unanimous vote.

A request for kitchen shears was requested for a cost NTE \$40. A motion to approve this purchase was made by Lt. Mowery, 2nd by PM Kinney. This motion was approved by unanimous vote.

A wireless charging pad for the kitchen bar at Station #102 was requested for a cost NTE \$40. PM Meister made a motion to approve this item, and 2nd by PM Kairis. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

A replacement clock for the dining area at Station #102 was requested for a cost NTE \$50. A motion to approve this purchase was made by PM Kinney, and 2nd by PM Nowak. This motion was approved by unanimous vote.

A request for jump ropes was requested, however this purchase was denied due to no approval from the fitness committee. All fitness equipment needs to be approved by someone from the fitness committee. No approval was forwarded to anyone on the board.

Chief Pindelski questioned the massive amounts of small requests that seem to be grouped together. A short discussion to clarify why this probably happened. The board no longer allows blanket requests for money for non-descript items such as "kitchen supplies". Lt. Mowery advised that one request can be made for a total as long as the items are

itemized in the request. PM Meister will remind the Lt's at Station #102 of this for future requests. The board appreciates being cognoscente of the Foreign Fire Tax Board's time.

Station #103:

A motion was made to purchase 54 patches, 72 size 2x2 stickers and 73 size 4x4 stickers by PM Meister and 2nd by PM Nowak. A discussion was held due to the quantity being requested. It was noted that Station #101 completed their sticker project with their internal funds. Stickers and patches are purchased by the members requesting them. This motion may have passed if the number was for each member, but the board is not interested in purchasing items to be sold or given away outside the department. This motion was denied by unanimous vote.

PM Beck requested \$400 for station wear. After discussion the purchase was denied by unanimous vote

PM Sohn requested various hand tools for station use, NTE \$250. A motion was made by PM Nowak to approve, 2nd by PM Kairis. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Station #105:

Replacement bathmats were requested NTE \$55. A motion to approve was made by PM Kairis and 2nd by Meister. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Good of the 2% Fund: Elections for the 2021 year cycle will be the positions of Mowery, Meister, and Kairis. All 3 are up for re-election. All voiced interest in staying on the board. PM S. Markowski will send out an email to solicit for other members interested in running and handle the process with assistance from PM Kinney and PM Nowak.

Next Meeting: November 19, 2020 at 0800 hrs. at Fire Station #102.

A motion to adjourn was made by, PM Nowak 2nd by PM Meister. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 0857 hrs.