



Hinsdale Foreign Fire Insurance Board

**Minutes from meeting on:
November 20th, 2017**

Meeting called to order at 0736 hrs by President Patitucci. Roll call conducted:

Members Present:

President Patitucci, Vice President Baker, Treasurer Newberry, Secretary McDonough, Jim Nichols, and Chief Giannelli

Members Not Present:

Pat Schaberg

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from May 8th, 2017 meeting were reviewed. President Patitucci made motion to approve and Treasurer Newberry seconded that motion. Minutes were approved.

Communications:

None

Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Newberry reported that \$51,499.28 of the 2017-1018 budget has been spent and 50,000.72 is still available. The funds for the 2018-2019 budget have been deposited at \$61,212.67. The account balance was \$73,517.90 Of that, \$70,235.03 is in the Money Market Account and \$3,282.87 in the Checking. That brings funds for 2018-2019 to \$131,447.70. President Patitucci made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Treasurer Newberry seconded it. The motion passed.

Old Business:

Antique pumper rehab- No one in the area is willing to try and rehab it due to fear of ruining it. Jim Nichols has a contact in Southern Illinois that is a specialist. He will be contacted to see if he would accept the project. Vice President Baker also knows a refurbishment company and will contact them.

Vice President Baker will purchase new blenders that were approved last meeting.

New Business:

Fire and EMS Equipment:

Chief Giannelli would like to place 125th Anniversary window decals on the engines and tower ladder. Secretary McDonough will look into the cost and present it at the next meeting.

Captain Carlson sent an email requesting funds for the purchase of two bariatric Binder Lift devices. Discussion was tabled until input from all three shifts and prices can given.

\$2,100 was requested for the purchase of two training dummies. This would allow the Department to use the current one strictly for the annual Consumption Test and use the new ones for training evolutions. Jim Nichols made a motion to accept the request for \$2,100 for training dummies. Secretary McDonough seconded the motion and it passed.

Request for funds for two Milwaukee Sawzalls for the front line rigs was discussed. The current Rigid saw that is on Engine 84 was supposed to be for the station work shop but was moved onto the rig so a battery operated reciprocating saw would be available for extrication. The idea was to move the Skill saw to Engine 85 and put the Milwaukee saws on Engine and Tower 84. The battery charger would remain on Engine 84 and batteries would be rotated as needed. It was suggested to purchase three Milwaukee Sawzalls, batteries, and chargers. This way, one could be placed on both engines and the tower ladder and the Rigid saw could be put back in the work shop. The motion to approve \$1,300 for purchase of three Milwaukee Sawzalls and battery units was made by Secretary McDonough. President Patitucci seconded the motion and it passed.

Discussion on purchase of LED headlights to retro-fit into both engines and the tower ladder was held. It would cost \$2,600 for all three rigs. Vice President Baker made the motion to accept the request of funds for new headlights. Jim Nichols seconded that motion and it passed.

A request for funds to fit the hose tower with a standpipe system for training was discussed but no quotes, vendors, or time frame was able to be given. So, the discussion was tabled until further research is performed.

Uniforms:

There are eight structural firefighting helmets that are either expired or will expire by the end of the month, per the Quartermaster. There is no money in the uniform budget due to promotions and new hires. Treasurer Newberry made a motion to approve \$2,000 for the purchase of new helmets. Secretary McDonough seconded and the motion passed.

Chief Giannelli would like to commemorate the Department's 125th anniversary, as well as, the 30th anniversary of paramedic service for the department. He requests funds for the purchase of two uniform t-shirts for each uniformed member of the department. Treasurer Newberry made a motion to approve \$2,500 for commemorative uniform shirts. Jim Nichols seconded and the motion passed.

Public Education:

The various handouts and props needed for the public education program are running low. The Department Pub-Ed director requests \$3,200 for new props and handouts. This should last three to four years since these items are only sold in bulk. Vice President Baker made motion to approve \$3,200 for pub-ed materials. Secretary McDonough seconded and the motion passed.

There is no budget or funding for the Citizens Fire Academy in the Spring and the Lead Instructors requested funds to be able to improve upon the inaugural class. These funds would be used for t-shirts, props, and handouts for the students. Treasurer Newberry made motion to approve \$5,000 for funding the Citizens Fire Academy. President Patitucci seconded that motion and it passed.

Wellness Equipment:

The Wellness Coordinator requests \$1,300 for new mirrors in the wellness room. Treasurer Newberry made motion to approve funds for new mirrors and Secretary McDonough seconded that motion. Motion passed.

(0840 hrs Jim Nichols left the meeting to respond to a call.)

2018-2019 Budget:

The breakdown of the new budget was discussed. Most of the expended funds seem to be on Fire and EMS Equipment's budget. So, the next budget placed the greatest amount of funding into that category. Vice President Baker made a motion to pass the 2018-2019 budget. Treasurer Newberry seconded it and the budget passed.

Public Comments:

None.

Adjournment:

President Patitucci asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Secretary McDonough made the motion and Jim Nichols seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 0851 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nick McDonough
Secretary