

Sheridan Fire District Meeting Minutes

09/02/2021

The Sheridan Fire District Trustees met Thursday September 2nd, 2021 with the following present, Jeff Werner, Paul Brennan, Chief Tirevold and Attorney Richard Burton. Meeting called to order by Secretary Werner at 7 pm. Brennan was made President Pro Temp in the absence of Augsburg. Minutes of the August meeting were read and approved with no additions or corrections. Werner motioned to accept the minutes Brennan 2nd the motion. Bills were presented and discussed. Chief explained all the bills for the month. Werner motioned to pay the bills, Brennan 2nd the motion. Bills are to be paid. Treasurer's report given. A \$500 donation to the Ambulance Fund was received in memory of Greg and Brenda Barnes. Current on call payout from Ambulance calls is \$6690 and Fire calls \$630. Chief stated the department responded to 27 ambulance calls and 6 fire calls during August. Discussion held on paying additional funds on the Ambulance loan. Brennan motioned to pay an additional \$100,000 on the ambulance loan from the Ambulance Reserve Fund. Werner 2nd the motion. Chief Tirevold to get the payment done. Safety Report—Kids are back in school, beware of their presence. Vehicle report—the UV light for new ambulance was cancelled due to not knowing when the parts will come in. The exhaust pipe on 1 Mary 14 broke and was replaced. Engine 812 will be going to Newark for annual pump test on September 22nd. The antique fire truck has a bad exhaust manifold gasket, parts have been received, Chief will replace that. The Website is almost complete but is up and running. Nothing new on the FEMA grant. EMC was here on August 19th, to due maintenance on hydraulic tools and pumps. 3 tools, 1 hose all have been repaired or replaced. This will be a pretty extensive bill when received as the rams are obsolete and parts not available. New used modern equipment will be

purchased to replace them. Marla is taking the CPR Instructors course. Laurie Jonson, Pat Lynch and Jennica Peura may be taking the course also. Thompson Electronics will be at FD in November to do annual inspections on the Fire Alarm System. Thompsons bought out Commercial Electronics. No FD open house in October due to COVID situation again. Asst Chief Cook to check with school on Fire Prevention Week. GMET paperwork will be filed in September for Medicare and Medicaid. Serena Fire Department will hold a Grain Bin Rescue Class in September. NICOR will also have their annual Fire School in October. Chief discussed paying off the 3 new cell phones instead of having the increased monthly payment for 2 years. Trustees agreed to pay off the phones. No Audit Report this month, hopefully will get the Audit next week and get it to the board for review. Chief to contact Bobs Landscaping to redo the front of FD landscape and to bring in some dirt along the sidewalks. Chief also had Central Illinois Coatings to FD to talk about and quote a new floor covering out in the truck bay. It would take about 3 weeks to do before being able to drive on it. Chief mentioned this is a future project with in the next year or two. Chief to contact AMEREN to check out the LED Savings program to switch the bay lights over to all LED fixtures. Attorney Burton discussed the Tax Levy for the coming year. Was agreed to keep it under a 105% this year and then next year possibly raising it above the 105% due to staffing etc. costs. The last time taxes were raised was 2009 for the Fire District. Chief stated that 2022 EAV will be just above where the district was in 2009. It has taken 12-13 years to regain the EAV of the District. Being no other business, Werner motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm, Brennan 2nd the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Jeff Werner, Secretary