

## Sheridan Fire District Meeting Minutes

05/02/20024

The Sheridan Fire Protection District Trustees met on Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, with the following present: Chief Tirevold, Debra Augsborg, Paul Brennan, Eric Wormley and Attorney Rich Burton. Also in attendance was Jeff Steil from FICEK Electric.

Meeting called to order at 7 pm by President Augsborg. Bills for the month were presented and discussed. Wormley motioned to pay the bills, Brennan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Bills to be paid.

Jeff Steil was moved up on the agenda to discuss and explain the proposal for the new phone system for the Fire Station. Chief Tirevold stated this phone system is giving us problems, it keeps going dead on a daily basis. Frontier does not deal with phone systems anymore; they concentrate on the Internet only. Jeff presented 2 options for the system, one being a system like we have as to the District makes the upfront purchase( approx. \$9200.00, and the District remains with Frontier phone lines staying with the current billing for phone and internet , the 2<sup>nd</sup> system is internet based meaning phone will be over the internet with a monthly bill , up front cost to run some data lines and also SURF internet to have the internet business. Fiber Optic HI SPEED internet will come into station. FICEK will be the phone provider and SURF will be internet provider. Monthly bills to come from each company. The district will discontinue from Frontier altogether. After discussion, Brennan motioned to go with the ELEVATE System from FICEK, Wormley 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Chief to work with FICEK to get things going. Time from approximately 30 days after all parts come in, phones programmed etc.

Attorney Burton presented the FY 24-25 Budget & Appropriation. Discussion held and BA reviewed. Brennan motioned to accept FY 24-25 BA, Wormley 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Attorney Burton to file the new Budget with County. The Chief stated the district has received the State ARP funds for \$17,284.00 for payroll purposes.

Treasurers report reviewed and discussed. End of year Fund and CD balances were gone over. Wormley motioned to accept the report, Brennan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Chiefs Report: Department responded to 37 ambulance and 2 fire calls in April. The Department is running 60 ambulance and 7 fire calls ahead of last year during the 1<sup>st</sup> 4 months. Brush truck 831 in for service and engine trouble. May be replacing the 6 injectors in the future is the truck still is not running right. OSFM Small Equipment grant has been denied. A new Fire Engine has been ordered; new radios ordered for the new ambulance. Both Serena and Sheridan have signed the new ambulance contract. Dayroom radio installation has been finalized. No word on FEMA Grant, County ARP, NCICG Grant. A new cylinder head has been installed on the water softener. Northern ILL Billing Company has completed the Medicare Revalidation paperwork. CMS rep from Medicare was out taking pictures of ambulances and station to verify we are legit service. Chief stated we may be needing a new printer in the Officers office, Floral arrangement sent to Berggren Family.

Chief discussed QuickBooks update. Ended up with refund of almost \$3100.00 on the credit card from QuickBooks and have upgraded to the 2024 version. The Chief discussed the purchase of training mannequins for the department totaling approx. \$7,500.00. This was purchased was on the Small Equipment Grant that was denied. After Discussion, Wormley motioned to purchase the mannequins, Brennan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. 802/805 Will get them ordered.

The Chief presented the resolution for annual appointments for the district. Augsburg motioned to accept the resolution, Brennan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Attorney Burton presented paperwork on Eric Wormley being sworn in as a Trustee for the Sheridan Fire District. Paper work signed, Attorney Burton will file.

Being no other business, Brennan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm, with Wormley 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectively

Eric Wormley,

Secretary