

# HOLIDAY SHORES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**August 15, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.**

## Minutes of Regular Meeting of District Trustees

Meeting called to order by President Henke at 7:31 p.m.

Trustees Henke, Bussmann and Wilkens were in attendance.

Chief O'Brien, Assistant Chief Opel, President Bagby, and Firefighter Kale Henke were also in attendance.

Minutes for the July Regular Meeting were approved as emailed to the Trustees.

### Correspondence:

Received a letter from State Senator Jil Tracy informing us that volunteer firefighters in Illinois are now eligible for a \$500 tax credit beginning this year, as long as they earn less than \$5,000 a year from their service with the fire department.

Treasurer's Report as of August 15, 2023 was given and approved.

Monthly Income	\$15,031.57
Monthly Expenses	12,008.66

### Account Balance:

Checking Account	171,931.44
Money Market	159,150.07

Total Funds		\$331,081.51
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Loan #1	237,836.72
Loan #2	116,081.65

### OLD BUSINESS:

The parking lot has been prepped and ready for chip and oil. The roof should be completed Wednesday, August 16 depending on the weather. The brush truck is in and lettered. The total price for the truck at present is \$73,285.00. There is still work to be done on mounting cabinets and equipment and moving the hose skid from 3351 to 3390. This can be completed by the membership.

Received a resolution from the Illinois Municipal League regarding new format for receiving Foreign Fire Tax. Trustee Bussmann moved, Wilkens second to adopt the resolution. After discussion, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussed the meeting with Fort Russell Fire Trustees and Edwardsville Fire Department regarding coverage and taxes. No action will be need.

VOLUNTEER'S REPORT:

We currently have 21 active members and 8 probationary/auxiliary candidates.

Mark & Rhonda VanderWeele (Wiggler's/Hooker's) asking for HSFDP to participate in Queen of Hearts program that we'd set up and run all of the dynamics of the drawing. Will ask Sage House (Bunker Hill) some of the ins and outs for setting the overall process up and use as a platform to get started.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Calls: Overall call participation is average; we are at 155 calls for the year.

Equipment Updates: Extrication equipment is ordered, should be shipped during the week of August 14<sup>th</sup>. Will run through in-service and process ARPA grant reimbursement immediately after receiving equipment and paying invoice.

Calls of Note: Nothing of note, typical medical calls and mutual aid responses. Will discuss a recent request for a tender at a fire in Madison.

Budget Planning: Running on the 2024 fiscal budget.

AMA Call Response: Still watching to ensure adequate response levels and will advise of material changes, no degradation of service in the last two months.

Lengthened Response Time: Just an FYI, the bridge at Possum Hill is being replaced, will impact the Chief's response time until it is complete. Estimated replacement time is 3 months.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

TRUSTEE COMMENT:

The Trustees commented on the Queens of Hearts project stating that this is not a district function and will be completely in the hands of the volunteers. It was suggested that they contact their legal person for comment.

Trustee Wilkens informed the Board that the President of the Board has the right to make a motion and vote on all motions as described in the Illinois Fire Protection District Handbook.

No further business was discussed or brought up; meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by  
Nick Wilkens, HSFPD Secretary/Treasurer