Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Board
Fire Station 2
Arlington Heights Fire Department
Administrative Headquarters
1150 N. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
November 20, 2019
9:00 AM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes - August 21, 2019

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Education Reimbursement Requests
B. Hose Testing
C. Air Packs
D. Kitchen Supplies
E. Patio Furniture
F. Item Replacement
G. Technical Rescue Team

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Shows
B. Television

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Board
11/20/2019

Item: minutes

Department: fire

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
August 21, 2019 Meeting	Minutes

FOREIGN FIRE INSURANCE TAX BOARD
Minutes of Meeting
1150 N. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
August 21, 2019

Board Members in Attendance:	James Stempien Andrew Larson Rob Losik Kevin Flynn Martin Moran
Not in Attendance:	Michael Schubert Ross Chapman
Guests:	FF/Eng. Darren Morton Resident Melissa Cayer

Jim Stempien called the third quarter 2019 meeting to order at 9:05 A.M.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Minutes of the May 9, 2019 meeting were reviewed. With a correction of "Mary" to "Marty" on the first line of page 2 under Item 2 in Old Business, Chief Larson made a motion to approve the minutes; it was seconded by Rob Losik; all voted in favor; motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The current fund balance was not available. Marty Moran reported that he worked on the budget worksheets which were submitted to the Finance Department this month. Chief Larson said they will be reviewed at the September 13 budget meeting.

An agenda item under New Business, TV, was discussed prior to opening up Old Business in order to accommodate guest Firefighter/Engineer Darren Morton.

NEW BUSINESS

1. TV – Darren Morton was asked to research options for purchasing a new television for the day room at Station 2. The current set is approximately 10 years old and needs to be replaced. Darren provided the Board with a detailed written comparison of all the options. He focused on Abt as the vendor since they have consistently given the Board and the Fire Department the best prices and provided excellent service. Darren compared features such as backlit vs. edgelit, LCD vs. QLED, inputs, refresh rates, resolution, sound, etc. The current set is 65" and Darren was asked by station personnel to consider a larger model since the room is so large. Darren's comparison included Samsung, Sony and LG models. The LG was eliminated because the cost is too high. The Sony models were eliminated because of too many interface problems. The TV is used for live streaming training videos, and the Sony models are prone to a slow/glitchy response. Online Target Solutions training also needs to be considered. Taking all the factors into consideration, Darren is recommending a 75" QLED Samsung, Model QN75Q70RA. Abt will give us a price of $2,398. The total cost with a sound bar ($410) and installation ($330 with parts) is $3,138.

Marty Moran made a motion to approve a not-to-exceed amount of $3,300 for a new television set for the Station 2 day room. It was seconded by Rob Losik. Roll was called with:
Ayes: A. Larson, R. Losik, K. Flynn, M. Moran, J. Stempien
Nays: None
Ayes 5; Nays 0

Motion carried.

Darren will coordinate the purchase. The Board gave him authority to adjust the purchase as needed within the not-to-exceed limit.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Education reimbursement – Jason Kedrok submitted a request to Marty Moran for approval of training by a company not on the pre-approved list. Jason is working toward his EV Technician certification, and he would like to attend the Spartan 2019 Fire Truck Training Conference in Lansing, Michigan from September 29-October 4. He would take five classes: Cab Safety Inspections; U.L. Fire Pump Test; Roll-Up Doors; Allison Automatic Transmission EVT F6; and Wheel End Maintenance. These classes are vendor specific and not offered by Pierce.

The Board discussed the ongoing value to the Department of Jason further developing his skills and approved his requesting reimbursement for the cost of the classes.

2. Roof prop – This was a joint project with the Training Division. Div. Chief Dwayne Wood said personnel are happy with the prop. It was used at the RPM training and all went well. Div. Chief Wood may be looking at the purchase of a new SCBA maze in the future.

3. Assignment boards – Lt. Chris Rymut said the assignment board at Station 1 is being built by Scott Miller. The other stations will be building theirs in the near future.

NEW BUSINESS

2. EMS - Div. Chief Rick Manthy is gathering information related to a request and will present it at a future meeting.

3. Training – Training Division Chief Dwayne Wood is not yet ready to present his proposals to the Board. One project he is researching is replacing our current drink coolers on the engines with something safer and more hygienic, perhaps a system using water bottles.

4. Item replacement – The Board discussed the possibility of a system for replacing items previously provided by the Board, e.g., helmet lights. Another item discussed for replacement was clothing. T.J. Liebetrau's EMS jacket was given to him with the wrong liner, and this cheaper liner has fallen apart. Dave Roberts' EMS jacket was given to him with the correct liner but wrong outer coat. The Department will discuss with Fiscal Clerk Biljana getting T.J.'s jacket repaired, and also consider Dave Roberts' situation. In terms of other items, Rob Losik will get more information together on this subject for the next meeting.

5. **Patio furniture** – The Board discussed the state of disrepair of old patio furniture at all four stations. Tables have holes where tiles are missing and some of the chairs are broken, some are rusted. Marty Moran will look into this so the Board can consider replacing patio furniture for the spring.

6. **Kitchen supplies** – Board members have been approached by personnel looking to provide kitchen items on a piecemeal basis rather than once a year. For example, when a toaster breaks, they would like to replace it and not wait for the annual kitchen supply purchase funding. Marty Moran and Jim Stempien will follow up on this with Fiscal Clerk Biljana, possibly creating a pre-approved list of stores to be used, etc. Chief Larson pointed out that one person at each station should be responsible for these purchases.

7. **Grill cover -** Jim Stempien said the grill cover at Station 4 was damaged about six months ago. Jim learned that Firefighter Adam Sielig spent his own money, around $50 or $60, to purchase a new one. Jim would like the Board to reimburse him, as the Board purchased the grills and covers for the stations.

Jim Stempien made a motion to approve a not-to-exceed amount of $100 to reimburse Adam Sielig for the purchase of a new grill cover for Station 4. It was seconded by Marty Moran. Roll was called with:

Ayes: A. Larson, R. Losik, K. Flynn, M. Moran, J. Stempien
Nays: None
Ayes 5; Nays 0

Motion carried.

8. **Technical Rescue Team** – The Technical Rescue Team has a pressing need for equipment. Team Leader Lt. Mark Retel has held off asking the Board for funds until the Department's budget was prepared. As of now, the Department has no room in the budget to fund such a request, so Mark is bringing it before the Board. Mark was not able to be at the meeting but provided the Board with a written request detailing the team's needs. There is a very real need at this time as the team's new members have not been provided with any equipment. The equipment the team does have is technologically outdated and/or expired. Mark's request was broken down into three possibilities:

1) providing basic, necessary equipment for all team members ($13,858.08);
2) providing additional items to equip the team members similar to how other MABAS Division 1 technical rescue teams are equipped (an additional $3,629.84); and/or
3) providing additional items to be carried on the Specialty Rescue Squad for team use (an additional $2,449.40).

The Board discussed the request, and the fact that it has provided funding for other specialty teams in the past. All agreed there is a very real need to help the Technical Rescue Team now. Training Div. Chief Dwayne Wood has echoed this sentiment.

Marty Moran made a motion to approve a not-to-exceed amount of $20,000 to provide equipment for the Department's Technical Rescue Team. It was seconded by Rob Losik. Roll was called with:

Ayes: A. Larson, R. Losik, K. Flynn, M. Moran, J. Stempien
Nays: None
Ayes 5; Nays 0

Motion carried.

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There being no further business brought before the Board, Jim Stempien made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 A.M.; Chief Larson seconded; all voted in favor; motion carried.