Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Board
Fire Station 2, Conference Room
Arlington Heights Fire Department
Administrative Headquarters
1150 N. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
June 28, 2018
9:00 AM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes-March 9, 2018

IV. REPORTS

A. Treasurer's Report

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Education reimbursement requests
B. Fitness equipment
C. Station alerting system
D. New York hooks
E. Fire Department Instructors Conference
F. EMS shears

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. EMS equipment
B. Station boards
C. Training equipment
D. Fitness clothing
E. Kitchen supplies
F. Pre-approved schools
G. Special teams' equipment

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Item: Minutes-March 9, 2018

Department: Fire

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Minutes-March 9, 2018	Agreement

FOREIGN FIRE INSURANCE TAX BOARD
Minutes of Meeting
1150 N. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
March 9, 2018

Board Members in Attendance:	James Stempien Ken Koeppen Mike Schubert Rob Losik Ross Chapman Martin Moran
Not in Attendance:	Kevin Flynn
Guests:	EMS Div. Chief Richard Manthy, AHFD Firefighter Brad Lindgren, AHFD Firefighter Scott Vasicek, AHFD Firefighter James Braniff, AHFD

Jim Stempien called the meeting to order at 9:06 A.M.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Minutes of the December 7, 2017 regular meeting were reviewed. Ross Chapman made a motion to approve; seconded by Rob Losik; all voted in favor; motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Deferred.

To accommodate guests, three items of New Business were considered prior to opening Old Business for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Station Alerting System. Division Chief Richard Manthy brought an issue regarding the Department's station alerting system project to the Board for consideration. The Department has been installing the station alerting system at one station each year. The budget for the system at Station 1 does not include enough funds to outfit all of the bunks with equipment which provides call details; there are four we cannot afford to do. The cost of doing the four bunk areas and the necessary expansion kit for the G2 controller box is around $20,000. Chief Koeppen said the Department can cover $5,000, leaving a deficit of $15,000.

Following a discussion of the benefits of the station alerting system, Marty Moran made a motion to approve $15,000 to purchase the expansion kit for the G2 controller and equipment for the remaining four bunk areas for station alerting at Station 1. Jim Stempien seconded. Roll was called with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried.

2. Power cot – Rick Manthy also discussed with the Board the possibility of purchasing a power cot without the power load system. Stryker's is about $19,000 for just the cot; we would get $200 for the trade-in of each old Ferno. We could put the power cots on the reserve vehicles. Chief Koeppen will discuss this with IRMA to see if there is a benefit to outfitting our reserve equipment. This item is tabled for now.

3. WFI equipment proposal – Brad Lindgren and Scott Vasicek brought the Board a fitness equipment proposal. The equipment includes: storage racks, lifting "racks," cable pull machines and soft Plyo boxes.

Brad said they have been working with Human Resources on a program to reduce injuries and just get people feeling better. This is all in line with our Fit Responder and Functional Movement Screening programs. They have been looking at ways to revamp the fitness rooms in the stations, removing and replacing equipment with items designed to improve functional fitness. They had Debbie from Life Fitness out – Life Fitness has done work at Village Hall and Public Works. They had Mike Munson from Direct Fitness Solutions out. Direct Fitness has done work for the Wellness Center and may be providing the equipment for the fitness room at the new Police Station. Brad and Scott felt Mike from Direct Fitness had more recommendations as to how to optimize space and configure things. People will be asked to remove their personal equipment from the fitness rooms to maximize room for the more effective equipment. One of the considerations in planning is the low ceilings at Stations 3 and 4.

The quote includes recommendations for removing some of the old equipment to make room for more FMS-friendly pieces. Brad discussed the Queenax body training system which he feels, while expensive, is very beneficial. It is very versatile and several people can use it at the same time; it can be placed against a wall; the price is around $14,000. Station 2 can accommodate the system, but it would probably have to be in the bays at the other three stations.

The Board had questions about, in terms of investing in it, whether the functional movement trend will stay strong or fade. Both Mike and Debbie said that the functional fitness "thinking" is science-supported and while it's been around for 20 years, it is gaining momentum.

Jim Stempien asked about whether we should buy or return the demo treadmill we currently have. It's a TrueForm. The Assault AirRunner treadmill provides a smoother run, and the price is about the same. Brad Lindgren said it's self-charging, but the battery does need charging.

There is also a need to replace the old metal plates with rubber-coated plates.

The Board discussed the importance of supporting the Department's commitment to physical fitness and different options as to what to buy and the timing. The consensus is that all four stations should have the same equipment available to them. It was also decided to not purchase the Queenax system at this time. Chief Koeppen will also discuss this with IRMA. Subject to investigating how to properly proceed with the purchase, Ross Chapman made a motion to approve a not-to-exceed amount of $45,000 to purchase the equipment on the proposal plus new plates for all four stations. It was seconded by Mike Schubert. Roll was called with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Education reimbursement requests. Marty Moran brought a request from Firefighter David Johnson for $350 reimbursement for a Fire Officer I Tactics class. A motion was made by Ross Chapman to approve the reimbursement. It was seconded by Chief Koeppen. Roll was called with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried.

2. Fitness equipment – Jim Stempien reported that the dumbbells (approved at the October 20, 2017 meeting) and benches (approved at the December 7, 2017 meeting) for Station 1 have been delivered. This item is completed.

3. Athletic shoes – Ross Chapman reported that the project is completed. We gave Runners High & Tri a $5,000 deposit and we will pay the remaining balance - $5,312.51. Ross will also look at other vendors as well as discuss with Runners High some customer service issues, e.g., sizing, availability.

4. Fire Department Instructors Conference - Mike Schubert reports that we have three rooms reserved for the conference, which runs from April 23-28.

5. EMS equipment – Mike Schubert discussed the demo Ferno stair chair we have been using. He said one of the most important benefits of the power chairs is to help prevent firefighter injuries. He said the Stryker chairs are good, but the Ferno is more beneficial for going up stairs. They are however, heavier. They are 50-55 pounds while the Stryker is only 30. But the weight is the only drawback. Rick Manthy said the feedback from our personnel has been three positive reviews, and seven or eight reporting that it is too heavy. Rob Losik pointed out that there are a limited number of times we would need it. Marty Moran brought up the idea of having one on each side of town. He also asked if there is room for the device on the squads. Chief Koeppen mentioned that we will be writing the specs for a new squad this year and one next year. They might be smaller-type squads which means we will be looking at how to store equipment on the engines and squads in the future. Chief Koeppen will talk to IRMA and get their thoughts about this and explore whether there may be a cost savings involved. This item is tabled until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS (return to)

4. Election of Officers - With the current Board in place, elections for Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer for one-year terms were conducted.

Chairman – Marty Moran nominated Jim Stempien for Chairman; Ross Chapman seconded and Jim Stempien accepted the nomination. There being no further nominations, the vote was taken with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried. Jim Stempien was elected Chairman of the Board.

Vice Chairman – Jim Stempien nominated Mike Schubert for Vice Chairman; Chief Koeppen seconded and Mike Schubert accepted the nomination. There being no further nominations, the vote was taken with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried. Mike Schubert was elected Vice Chairman of the Board.

Secretary – Rob Losik nominated Ross Chapman for Secretary; Jim Stempien seconded and Ross Chapman accepted the nomination. There being no further nominations, the vote was taken with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried. Ross Chapman was elected Secretary of the Board.

Treasurer – Mike Schubert nominated Marty Moran for Treasurer; Chief Koeppen seconded and Marty Moran accepted the nomination. There being no further nominations, the vote was taken with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried. Marty Moran was elected Treasurer of the Board.

5. EMS equipment – covered above (No. 5-Old Business).

6. Fitness – covered above (No. 3-New Business).

7. Fitness equipment – covered above (No. 3-New Business).

8. Station alerting – covered above (No. 1-New Business).

9. Fire equipment – Ross Chapman said that Firefighter Marc Piscitiello brought a request to him for equipment needed for the ambulances (which are now assigned to overhaul at fires in the revised single-family Standard Operating Guideline). The Board discussed the need and the placement of the equipment on the vehicle doors.

Ross Chapman made a motion to approve a not-to-exceed amount of $1,500 for six New York hooks and 12 mounting brackets for the ambulances. It was seconded by Marty Moran. Roll was called with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried.

This purchase is subject to discussion with and approval of the equipment Battalion Chief (Ron Fraider) and the EMS Division Chief (Rick Manthy)

10. Internet Service for fire stations – The Board discussed approving the ongoing provision of Internet service at the fire stations.

Rob Losik made a motion to approve an amount not to exceed $1,200 for Internet service for all four stations for the next year; it was seconded by Marty Moran. Roll was called with:

Ayes: K. Koeppen, R. Losik, M. Moran, J. Stempien, M. Schubert, R. Chapman
Nays: None
Ayes 6; Nays 0

Motion carried.

11. Weber grills – Rob Losik reported that there are issues with the Weber grill at Station 2. There have been gas leaks and some of the knobs are falling off. Chief Koeppen said to look into repairing the grill.

12. Workout clothes – The Board briefly discussed the ongoing provision of workout clothes for all members. Rob Losik will look into when and what was purchased in the past for the next meeting.

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There being no further business brought before the Board, Chief Koeppen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:13 A.M.; Jim Stempien seconded; all voted in favor; motion carried.