

Richmond Township Fire Protection District

Trustee's Regular Meeting

November 11, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Richmond Township Fire Protection District, 5601 Hunter Drive, Richmond, Illinois.

Present: Larry Jones, Jay Marshall, & Mark Miller

Also Present: Attorney Curran,Carolynn Gaylord, & Chief Gruba

General Public: Chris Gumm, Randy Karls, Mike Lynn, Jonathon Sullivan, Brandon Sites, Brendan DeGroot, & Derek Ball

Minutes:

M. Miller made the motion to accept the minutes for the October 14, 2021 regular meeting. J. Marshall seconded the motion and was passed by a unanimous voice vote of 3-0, motion carried.

M. Miller made the motion to accept the Executive Session minutes from October 18th, 22nd, & 27th of 2021, and keep them closed. J. Marshall seconded the motion and was passed by a unanimous voice vote of 3-0, motion carried.

Correspondence:

Treasurer's Report:

-M. Miller made a motion to accept the November 2021 warrant as presented which includes the checks written between meetings. L. Jones seconded the motion and was passed by a roll call vote of 3-0, motion carried.

-M. Miller made a motion to approve the November FY2021 financials as presented. L. Jones seconded the motion and was passed by a unanimous vote of 3-0, motion carried.

Attorney's Report:

-Discussion regarding the setting of the 2021 Tax Levy Determination. J. Marshall made a motion to set the 2021 Tax Levy and Determination at \$775,680.05, a rate of 4.8%. M. Miller seconded the motion and it was passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 3-0, motion carried.

-L. Jones motioned to adopt a Resolution (2021-13) Approving & Authorizing the Execution of the Employment Agreement between the Richmond Township Fire Protection District and Henry Gruba, the new Fire Chief/Administrator. M. Miller seconded the motion and was passed by a roll call vote of 3-0, motion carried.

Chief's Report: Complete report attached

- Chief Gruba asked to surplus the skid unit (UHP Pump \$30,000.00) for the new brush truck as it is not appropriately fitted for the truck. L. Jones made a motion to surplus the skid unit at

the Chief's discretion. M. Miller seconded the motion and was passed by a roll call vote, 3-0, motion carried.

-Chief Gruba asked for authorization to transfer ownership of the generator and propane tank at the water tower to the Village of Richmond. Further discussion is needed. The board tabled this topic to a future meeting as unfinished business.

-Chief Gruba requested permission to hire up to 12 new members at will, (not having to come to the board each time) allowing him to hire on the spot for qualified candidates. J. Marshall made a motion to allow Chief Gruba to hire up to 12 qualified new members at his discretion if the potential members are qualified based on the districts hiring criteria. L. Jones seconded the motion and was passed a unanimous voice vote of 3-0, motion carried.

- Chief Gruba requested permission to promote up to 4 members to Lieutenants, 7 total Lieutenants. L. Jones made a motion to allow Chief Gruba to hire up to 4 members Lieutenant. M. Miller seconded the motion and was passed a unanimous voice vote of 3-0, motion carried.

There was no further business J. Marshall made a motion to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. M. Miller seconded the motion and was passed by a unanimous voice vote of 3-0, motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Jay Marshall, Secretary