

**HOMER TOWNSHIP PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 2017 at 5:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Trustee Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM:

In attendance were Trustees Anderson, Doyle, and Troike, Chief Locacius, Division Chief Bricker, BC Essenburg, Capt. Uthe, FF Collins, FF E. Breese, FF Adeszko, Tom Gilbert, and Hailey DeBruyn

Others Present: Colleen Trela from Lauterbach & Amen, and Brad O'Sullivan from Governmental Accounting Inc.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Trustee Anderson led the pledge to the flag.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Collee Trela presented the Pension Fund Contribution Report along with the Actuarial Funding Policy Statement to the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 2, 2017 as presented.

Trustee Troike 2nd

Roll Call: All Ayes

Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve the closed meeting minutes from October 2, 2017 as presented.

Trustee Doyle 2nd

Roll Call: All Ayes

Motion Carried

TREASURE'S REPORT:

Trustee Anderson made a motion to accept the treasure's report as presented by Brad O'Sullivan in the absence of James Howard.

Trustee Troike 2nd

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Trustee Anderson acknowledged the Thank You letters the District received as well as the Advanced Trustee Training information/program that is being offered through IAFFPD.

Both Trustee Doyle and Troike expressed interest in attending the Advanced Training program.

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Attorney Gilbert gave the Board an update on the current forecast for the Freeze Bill. He stated that the bill has made it to the "meeting" phase and will have an updated for the Board at the December meeting. Attorney Gilbert informed the Board that if the bill isn't decided upon by December, it is very likely that it will not be passed.

REPORTS:

The Board acknowledged receiving the Chiefs reports.

Chief Locacius informed the Board that he had complied with the request received from reporter Chris Coffee in regards to the District's Non-Resident Ordinance. Informed the Board that Chris Coffee was simply taking a survey of the surrounding suburbs, and that there was no direct complaint made in regards to Homer Township Fire Protection District.

Division Chief Bricker acknowledged and thanked the crews for their participation in all of the Public Education events this month. He also thanked the crews for helping out with the inspections, which has been a tremendous help to him.

BC Essenburg acknowledged the great cooperation and participation from the crews in regards to community outreach events (i.e. Bengston's Pumpkin Farm and handing out Halloween Candy)

OLD BUSINESS:

Sale of Tower 31: Chief Locacius informed the Board that there has been some interest in the listing and will keep them posted if and when a buyer presents an offer.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve the bills totaling \$176,647.56

Trustee Troike 2nd

Roll Call: All Ayes

Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to accept the 2016 Municipal Compliance Report as presented by the Pension Fund.

Trustee Doyle 2nd

Roll Call: All Ayes

Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to open the 2018 Budget Hearing.
Trustee Troike 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

No objections were made.

Trustee Anderson made a motion to close the 2018 Budget Hearing.
Trustee Doyle 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

Trustee Troike made a motion to approve and adopt the 2018 Budget Appropriation Ordinance as presented.
Trustee Anderson 2nd
Roll Call: Anderson – Yes Doyle – Yes Troike – Yes
Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve the 3 year contract for Chief Locacius.
Trustee Doyle 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve the modification to Division Chief Bricker's contract.
Trustee Troike 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve the payment schedule for the longevity and 5% stipend for previous OT hours.
Trustee Doyle 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-0602 Establishing fees for Rental of District Employees.
Trustee Troike 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve of the disposal of a Frigidaire Dryer from Station 3.
Trustee Troike 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

CLOSED SESSION:

Trustee Anderson made a motion to enter closed session at 5:55pm to discuss employment or employees, matters of negotiation, pending or threatened litigation,

Trustee Troike 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

Trustee Anderson made a motion to come out of closed session at 6:16pm
Trustee Troike 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

In open session no action taken.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Trustee Anderson made a motion to adjourn at 6:16pm
Trustee Doyle 2nd
Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Daniel Troike", written over a horizontal line.

Daniel Troike, Secretary/Trustee