



Southern Ozaukee Fire & EMS Board
MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, January 11, 2023

LOCATION: 250 Elm Street, Thiensville,
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TIME: 5:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Mobley called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

MEQUON MAYOR ANDREW NERBUN
MEQUON ADMINISTRATOR WILL JONES
MEQUON ALDERMAN BRIAN PARRISH
MEQUON ALDERWOMAN KATHLEEN SCHNEIDER

THIENSVILLE PRESIDENT VAN MOBLEY
THIENSVILLE ADMINISTRATOR COLLEEN LANDISCH-HANSEN
THIENSVILLE TRUSTEE KRISTINA ECKERT

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. November 30, 2022 Minutes

MOTION by Mayor Nerbun, **SECONDED** by Trustee Eckert to approve the November 30, 2022, Minutes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCES AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Stephanie Borkin, 328 East Freistadt Road, addressed the Board. Mrs. Borkin requested that her late husband Rick Borkin's locker be moved to the Old Firehouse if the Fire Department no longer was located at Village Hall and if his initials painted on the TFD Quint can be preserved. Mrs. Borkin expressed her appreciation for any effort to preserve the memory of her husband.

V. OPERATIONAL UPDATES

A. Accomplishments Since 11/30/22

Chief Bialk shared department accomplishments since the prior meeting on November 30, 2022. Response times are being monitored.

President Mobley noted the agreement calls for using the Thiensville fire station. Chief Bialk responded that there would be personnel at the station when there are events in the park and is tracking calls. Chief Bialk noted there have been five calls in Thiensville since the start of the year. Another two months of data should provide more information.

B. Objectives Needing to be Accomplished Q1

Chief Bialk discussed the accomplishments for the first quarter. The Department will hire two full-time firefighter/paramedics using ARPA funds. Trustee Eckert inquired about Department media practices. The primary media contact is Chief Bialk and Deputy Chief Zellman will talk to the media if it relates to an area he is familiar with.

C. Flex Grant Expenditures

The department received about \$200,000 in Flex Grant funds from the state and will be used on uniforms, medical equipment, capital funding for an ambulance, mobile data terminals and a storage system for narcotics.

D. ARPA Funding from Ozaukee County

Attorney Brian Sajdak is working with the County on resolving language in the Agreement.

E. Mequon Fatal Fire

Chief Bialk provided an update on the recent fire on Mequon Road.

VI. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT DISCUSSION

Administrator Jones reviewed the Agreement approved by the Thiensville Village Board and Mequon Common Council. Administrator Jones asked if the IGA should designate an Administrator the Fire Chief should report to for day-to-day issues since the SOFD Board will meet approximately once every other month. Administrator Jones discussed potential changes related to how votes are recorded in minutes, the procedure for forming meeting agendas and how fiscal matters and revenue credits are handled. Potential amendments to the IGA must be submitted to the SOFD Board 30 days prior to action. Four of the five members must vote for an amendment for it to be adopted. They also require Common Council and Village Board approval. Administrator Landisch-Hansen proposed the Village of Thiensville handle preparation of the agenda and the minutes and that voting requirements of the Board and Commission require at least one affirmative vote from a representative from each municipality.

VII. SOFD COMMISSION OVERVIEW

Chief Bialk provided an overview of state law regarding the duties of police and fire commissions.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Alderman Parrish, **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Schneider to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 PM. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Submitted by,

Gary Achterberg
Village of Thiensville
Administrative Assistant

Signed by,

Amy L. Langlois
Village of Thiensville
Village Clerk/Deputy Treasurer