**Board of Fire Commissioners, District II**

**February 3rd, 2020**

Chairman Ron Sutton Jr called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The flag was saluted and Lord’s Prayer was recited.

**Members Present:**

Mark Sheppard

William Horseman

Cliff Sharp

Fred Hundt

Ronald Sutton Jr

**Minutes**

The minutes of the January 6th meeting were sent to all via email. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Mark Sheppard and 2nd by Bill Horseman. All voted to approve the minutes from the January meeting.

**Treasurers Report:**

A copy of the Treasurers report was handed out to the Board by Treasurer Mark Sheppard.

A detailed report from the month of January was given to all commissioners. Report shows all transactions since the last meeting. The beginning balance on the report was $146,654.26

The ending balance was $141,718.04. Cliff Sharp made motion to pay all bills and to accept the Treasurer report which was seconded by Bill Horseman that all bills since the last report were approved for payment.

Roll call vote was taken:

William Horseman Yes

Cliff Sharp Yes

Mark Sheppard Yes

Fred Hundt Yes

Ronald Sutton Jr. Yes

**Old Business:**

Fred Hundt reported progress with RCL Solar. He reminded all Commissioners that a copy of Todd Heck’s review on the RCL contract was sent to all and that they should read and express any concerns. A couple of Todd’s concerns were addressed. All members felt that once into the agreement we will be in for the long haul. The contract will be in the name of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Fred reported that the project is going forward at this time and that he assured the Board that he is NOT collecting any finders fee from RCL.

The RCL engineers gave Fred a copy for the Board to review. The plan shows that the electric bill will cut the rate from $ .145 cents per kWh to $ .0825 cents per kWh. This rate should reduce our monthly bill by about 40%. Or approximately $4,300 the first year. The plan should save the district $135,000 over the next 20 years. Fred had reported at the meeting that there was going to be a $253,000 savings over the 20 years. For the record the wrong number was given to the entire Board by him. The $ .0825 cent rate will stay the same for the next 20 years. The entire front roof will be covered with 133 modules.

Mark Sheppard made a motion to continue and all voted to continue with this project.

**Deferred Business:**

Fred reminded everyone that Fire Commission Elections will on February,15th from 2 PM to 9 PM. The budget needs to be approved and that Cliff Sharp is running for re election.

Fred had been in contact with a gal named Kelly within the Board of County Elections. She had received our ballots in English and Spanish that Fred had forwarded to the Election Board. It was also discussed on how our Fire District could be guaranteed that only voters in our Fire District will be receiving absentee ballots for fire elections. There are four voting districts in the Township and three Fire Districts. The Fire Election absentee ballots are being sent to all registered voters that always ask for absentees for the general elections. The County will be sending out over 400 ballots to residents in the Township. This may become an issue on the vote.

**New Business:**

Mark reported that the insurance company auditor will be here on Friday to do their annual walk thru. Mark had a few questions and Ron suggested that there should be a copy of last years audit. Mark will look for it again.

**Chief Report:**

Don had nothing to report.

**Public Portion:**

The meeting was opened to the public and there were no comments from anyone from the public.

No other business the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM

Fred Hundt,

Board Secretary