



*Minutes of the Minooka FPD Board of Trustee Meeting held on
July 20, 2023*

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Underhill at 8:30 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken and answered with the following trustees present: Baron, Clark, Robinson and Underhill. Absent: Roberts.

Staff in attendance : Chief Yancey, Deputy Chief Sprague, Sheri Gresham, Lt. Mellen, Lt. Sievers, Alex Lindgren, Lou Vicelli

Guests present: James Howard, Accountant

A motion by Trustee Clark to approve the June 13, 2023 open board meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Baron. All were in favor and the motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Clark to approve the June 29, 2023 finance meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Robinson. All were in favor and the motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Clark to approve the June 30, 2023 building committee minutes, seconded by Trustee Underhill. All were in favor and the motion carried

A motion by Trustee Robinson to approve the June 2023 Finance & Treasurer's Report, seconded by Underhill. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Robinson-Yes, Underhill-Yes, Clark-Yes, Baron-Yes, motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Clark approving the bills and payroll for June in the amount of \$434,420.02 seconded by Trustee Robinson. A roll call vote was taken: Clark- Yes, Robinson-Yes, Underhill-Yes, Baron-Yes, motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Clark to accept and place on file the FY2022 audit report, seconded by Trustee Robinson. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Clark-Yes, Robinson-Yes, Baron-Yes, Underhill-Yes, motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning an architectural contract with FGMA for architectural design and engineering of the future training center located on Twin Rail Drive. The board decided to table the matter pending additional information.

A motion was made by Trustee Clark to create three additional firefighter/paramedic positions and authorize the Fire Commission to act to fill the positions, seconded by Trustee Baron. A discussion was held that these positions are create to fill the vacancy that would be created by the appointment of battalion chiefs and promotions of lieutenants that will create three firefighter/paramedic vacancies. A roll call was taken and answered as follows: Clark-yes, Baron-Yes, Robinson-Yes, Underhill-Yes, motion carried.

Chief's Report:

- Chief discussed the matter of solar options at fire station facilities. The building committee has previously met with a solar broker. Chief is seeking direction from the board to proceed with research to determine feasibility of solar. The board consensus was for the chief to move forward with additional research and bring findings to the board.
- Chief advised the board he would like to pursue the purchase of .32 acres of open land located on the border of the current fire station #1 property. Property is owned by both school districts as part of the transportation center property. The board consensus was for the chief to pursue the property and to bring back information on costs for board approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Clark to go into closed session at 9:39 a.m. to discuss appointment, discipline, employment, compensation and benefits of specific employees of the district pursuant to section 2 (c) (1) of the Illinois open meetings act and eminent litigation based on a finding by the public body pursuant to Section 2 (c) (11) of the open meetings act, seconded by Trustee Baron. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Clark-Yes, Baron-Yes, Robinson-Yes, Underhill-Yes, motion carried.

The meeting was back in open session at 10:41 a.m.

Trustee Clark made a motion to adjourn at 10:46 a.m. Trustee Underhill seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

 Dan Roberts President

 D.A. Clark Secretary