

# Foreign Fire Insurance Board

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Agenda for  
March 07, 2018  
6:30 P.M.  
Room P 105

- I. Call to Order
  - a. Chair Forsberg called the meeting to order at 1832.
  
- II. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum
  - a. Chair Forsberg
  - b. Vice Chair Angelo
  - c. Treasurer Marino
  - d. Secretary Geyman
  - e. Trustee Seyl
  - f. Trustee Rosner
  - g. Trustee DeRaedt
  - h. Dan Williams
  - i. Matt Newton (PC3)
  - j. Darrell Cook (PC3)
  - k. Nick Borst (PC3)
  - l. Kevin Kownacki (PC3)
  - m. Bob Brechbiel (PC4)
  - n. George Smith (PC4)
  - o. Joan Holub (stenographer)
  
- III. Adoption of the Agenda
  - a. Chair Forsberg made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Angelo. The motion passed with none opposed.
  
- IV. Public Commentary
  - a. None.
  
- V. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
  1. Reading of January 10, 2018 minutes
    - a. Chair Forsberg made a motion to accept the January 10, 2018 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Marino. The motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.
  
- VI. Report of Officers
  - a. None.

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- VII. Report of Standing/Special Committees
  - a. None.
- VIII. Treasurer's Report
  - 1. Treasurers Report to be presented by Treasurer Marino.
    - a. Treasurer Marino presented the budget.
    - b. Chair Forsberg made a motion to accept the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Seyl. The motion passed with none opposed.
- IX. Bills
  - a. None.
- X. Correspondence
  - a. None.
- XI. Old Business
  - 1. Trustee DeRaedt to present budget amendment to complete the purchase of the new stove for station 1.
    - a. Trustee DeRaedt spoke on the need to complete the approval and allocation of funds for the purchase of the new stove for station 1.
    - b. Trustee DeRaedt made a motion to approve the movement of \$6,304.00 in the current fiscal year budget to allow for the completion of the purchase of the stove for station one. The motion was seconded by Chair Forsberg.
    - c. Chair Forsberg stated that the current bylaws do not allow for the movement of funds in a budget.
    - d. Treasurer Marino stated the bylaws do not allow for funds to be moved for purchases that were not included in the annual budget. Marino stated that the movement of the funds is not allowed bylaws but also goes against past practice. Marino recommended not to move funds because the bylaws do not allow for it.
    - e. Meeting paused due to reported possible structure fire.
    - f. Chair Forsberg called the meeting back to order at 1912.
    - g. Treasurer Marino stated that per Article 8 Section 8.2 of the FFIB bylaws that purchases are only allowed to be made for what is budgeted for the fiscal.
    - h. Chair Forsberg stated that anytime the FFIB has made purchases outside of what is on the annual budget that the FFIB has been in violation of its own bylaws.
    - i. Trustee DeRaedt asked Treasurer Marino to show him on the computer where the current budget is located.

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- j. Trustee DeRaedt handed Treasurer Marino a form and asked is this was the approved budget.
  - k. Treasurer Marino stated that he could not verify.
  - l. Trustee DeRaedt stated to Treasurer Marino that he wanted him to look at the computer and verify.
  - m. Trustee DeRaedt stated that the \$24,000 and some change at the bottom of the form was the available funds in the budget.
  - n. Treasurer Marino stated that amount on the form represented the difference of last years and the current year's budget and not the available funds.
  - o. Trustee DeRaedt stated that the form says it is part of the available funds and that the purchase should move forward.
  - p. Dan Williams stated to clarify whether the FFIB followed Atwoods or Roberts. Dan stated that in his opinion that since the line item being discussed is under old business and no motion was made to move it to old business from new business that the motion and the discussion that followed should not have taken place and should be stricken.
- XII. New Business
1. Treasurer Marino to discuss postponing purchases due to budget constrictions.
    - a. Treasurer Marino stated that while preparing the annual budget he recognized he was in conflict with the FFIB bylaws and contacted Trustee DeRaedt and George Koczvara immediately.
    - b. Treasurer Marino stated that following contacting Trustee DeRaedt and George Koczvara and seeking legal advice from the FFIB attorney that he was counseled to postpone any purchases outside the approved budget.
    - c. Trustee DeRaedt asked Treasurer Marino whether any purchases are allowed to be made.
    - d. Treasurer Marino stated yes if they are on the annual budget.
  2. Treasurer Marino to discuss Bylaw Review.
    - a. Treasurer Marino stated that he recommends to form a committee to open the bylaws to allow for the bylaws to be reviewed and make any appropriate needed amendments.
    - b. Treasurer Marino stated that per section 12.1 a motion would need to be made to form a committee to open the bylaws.
    - c. Treasurer Marino commented that Trustee DeRaedt was mad.
    - d. Trustee DeRaedt stated to Treasurer Marino he was not mad and not to characterize him on record.

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- e. Treasurer Marino asked Trustee DeRaedt are you mad.
  - f. Trustee DeRaedt stated no.
  - g. Treasurer Marino made a motion to open the bylaws for review and amend article 12 section 12.1.
  - h. Chair Forsberg seconded the motion.
  - i. No discussion was had on the motion.
  - j. Roll call Vote was conducted.
    - a. Chair Forsberg Yea
    - b. Vice Chair Angelo Yea
    - c. Treasurer Marino Yea
    - d. Secretary Geyman Yea
    - e. Trustee Seyl Yea
    - f. Trustee Rosner yea
    - g. Trustee DeRaedt Yea
  - k. The motion passed 7 Yea to 0 Nay.
  - l. Treasurer Marino requested to lead the committee.
  - m. Chair Forsberg asked whether this needed to go the entire membership for a vote.
  - n. Trustee DeRaedt stated that per section 6.1 that the Chair is to appoint and lead.
  - o. Chair Forsberg appointed Treasurer Marino to lead the committee for bylaw review.
  - p. Chair Forsberg to send email to the membership within five business days to respond with interest.
  - q. Trustee DeRaedt inquired whether this was a standing committee or an adhoc committee.
  - r. Chair Forsberg to establish the committee with no more than five members to be picked from those who show interest with one of the five members to be Treasurer Marino.
  - s. Darrell Cook inquired whether the committee would be subject to open meetings act stating that if the committee consisted of three or more of the FFIB that it would be.
  - t. Dan Williams stated that the entire membership will have a voice before the bylaws are approved.
3. Trustee Rosner to request the purchase of a Class A uniform for himself.

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- a. Trustee Rosner requested to postpone proposal for Class A uniform without having the appropriate paperwork.
- u. Other Business
  - a. Trustee Seyl asked who is requesting the stenographer.
  - b. Trustee DeRaedt stated that the city hires the stenographer and owns the report.
  - c. Trustee Seyl inquired how the FFIB could receive a copy.
  - d. Chair Forsberg stated that he previously asked Trustee DeRaedt and was informed that he would have to FOIA the copy.
  - e. Treasurer Marino stated shouldn't we as an entity of the city be entitled to a copy.
  - f. Trustee DeRaedt stated that since the matter is in court that he does not represent the city in that matter and would not go to the city and ask for a copy of the stenographer's notes for the FFIB.
  - g. Kevin Kownacki asked Trustee DeRaedt whether he as an administrator would be willing to go the city on behalf of the fire department and request they reinstate the collection of the foreign fire tax at 2% and not at the current 0.0% or 0.01%.
  - h. Trustee DeRaedt stated that the matter was in court and that he would not go to the city.
- v. Closing
  - a. The minutes for the January 03, 2018 meeting need to add to the agenda to be approved in the May 02, 2018 meeting.
- w. Announcement of Next Meeting
  - a. May 02, 2018 in p105 at 100 West Woodstock Street Crystal Lake, IL 60014
- x. Motion to Adjourn
  - a. Chair Forsberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1947.
  - b. Vice Chair Angelo seconded the motion.
  - c. Voice vote with all in favor and none opposed. The motion passed.