



Stevensville Firefighter Relief Association
Agenda for
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2022
7:00 PM
Location: Fire Meeting Room

1. Call to Order
2. Establish Quorum
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Meeting Minutes August 30, 2022
4. Old Business
 - a. Annual Financial Report & Money from Town
 - b. Directives for Relief Association
 - c. Retirement Pension Updated
 - d. Disability Pension Discussion
 - e. Benefits to Widows Discussion
 - f. Discussion of Retirees not actual Retiring
5. New Business
 - a. Rex Letter of Intent to Retire
 - b. New Business
6. Public Comments
7. Adjournment

Guidelines for Public Comment

Public Comment ensures an opportunity for citizens to meaningfully participate in the decisions of its elected officials. It is one of several ways your voice is heard by your local government. During public comment we ask that all participants respect the right of others to make their comment uninterrupted. The council's goal is to receive as much comment as time reasonably allows. All public comment should be directed to the chair (Mayor or designee). Comment made to the audience or individual council members may be ruled out of order. Public comment must remain on topic, and free from abusive language or unsupported allegations.

During any council meeting you have two opportunities to comment:

1. During the public comment period near the beginning of a meeting.
2. Before any decision-making vote of the council on an agenda item.

Comment made outside of these times may not be allowed.

Citizens wishing to speak during the official public comment period should come forward to the podium and state their name and address for the record. Comment during this time maybe time limited, as determined by the chair, to allow as many people as possible to comment. Citizens wishing to comment on a motion for decision before any vote can come forward or stand in place as they wish. Comment must remain on the motion before the council.

File Attachments for Item:

a. Meeting Minutes August 30, 2022

Stevensville Firefighters Relief Association
Minutes – August 30, 2022
7:00 – City Council Chambers

Board Members Present: Lee Henderson, Levi Weiss, Kris Burgett, Trevor Motley, Chris Sheridan
Visitors: Jeff Motley, Vicki Motley

Lee presented the board with a spreadsheet that showed when people would be retiring if they have qualified years.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Chris Sheridan moved to approve the minutes as present, Levi Weiss 2nd. These minutes were from March of 2022. Motion approved.
- Lee presented the board with a spreadsheet that showed when people would be retiring if they have qualified years. This spreadsheet will need to be presented to the City Council to ask for \$25,000 to fund the Relief Association. According to Jeff Motley, the City MUST fund the Relief Association. Lee has only talked to Robert about this issue, but hasn't talked to any of the council members. The last time the council funded this program was 10 years ago. Jeff and Rex would both qualify for \$300/month, and Steve Roebke would get \$250/month. Robert has indicated to Lee that council and towns people will be upset when they find out they are paying for Rural Fire Fighters. There was a Resolution set forth by the City Council agreeing to pay for both City and Rural Fire Fighters. Jeff explained the funding portion of the Relief Association. Jeff will work with Lee on how to present it to the Council.
- Directives for the Relief Association – if there were Directives it would be easier to do than to change the By-Laws. There are some things that need to be done to make changes to the Constitution. File upstairs for the Relief Association. Levi Weiss moved to make Directives, Chris Sheridan 2nd. Motion passed.
- Vicki received the Annual Financial Report for Local Government, which must be done yearly. Our fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, and must be filed in a timely manner. Vicki has not received the money for the last fiscal year. Vicki will call the state and see if she can get a dollar amount.
- CD has been rolled into the checking account.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Updating the Constitution –
 - Retirement Pension needs to be updated. The dollar amount needs to be changed, but that can be in a directive.
 - Article 4 - Section 1A – needs to state the person needs to do 30 hours of Chief approved training. This is for Fire & EMS.
 - Disability Pension – does this need to be updated, or do we leave it alone. Do you have to have had the disability on the Department Related. Chris Sheridan stated that maybe this needs to have a minimum number of years to qualify for the disability. Levi stated that maybe we need to really look at these issues. This needs the equation, but maybe not the numbers.
 - Benefits to Widow & Orphans – this is somewhat related to Disability Pension. Vicki stated that the last one she can remember was they paid Betty Adams when Bob Adams passed away. The formula should be in the form of a Directive. Lump sum would be a better financially for the Relief Association.

- Funds and their Application – should the Relief Association continue to pay for a member that has retired but continues to do the same job. In Hamilton @ 20 years, you are out. You can do support, but you are not a firefighter. Lee feels like if you retire then you should only do support. Lee feels like you should be a City Firefighter and sign the Personnel Policy. Jeff said that you can not do that because of the Resolution that the Town has instituted. Volunteering in general is dwindling, and people are not meeting the qualifications.
 - We probably need to add that any increases in payouts only go forward. They are not retroactive to any of the people
- The board will do an email stream to make these changes. Then we will be up to date.

Kris Burgett moved to adjourn the meeting. Levi Weiss 2nd. Motion passed.

The next meeting will be held upstairs in the Fire Hall.

Stevensville Firefighters Association:

- DA Davidson – new EIN Number
- Bank Account – with new EIN Number
- Mugs – for Pint Night. Need 7 cases that will be under \$500. The Association would pay for the mugs, and take out the cost of the mugs and food, etc. and then split the profit 50/50. Blacksmith new owners reached out to Lee about doing this. Levi moved to do this Kris 2nd. Motion passed.
- Haberdashery Account to keep things separate. Facebook birthday giving, Amazon Smile, etc.
- Fireworks on the 4th of July – both Associations will be doing this, and it will be run through the City Association. Costs to go with electronics. Costs to have a company come in and do the show. We need to get on the books now. Joe's Smoke Ring, Todd Redenbach in Billings.
- Weber & Vanorio will be filing the Postcard at the end of the year. \$30-35K coming from Janet Park's estate. Venmo should be set up also.
- Venmo – haberdashery
- Square - will go through the Association.
- 2511 is at Steve Roebke's house.

File Attachments for Item:

a. Rex Letter of Intent to Retire

From: Rex Olson Rex@rexolsontrucking.com
Subject: Retirement
Date: Sep 22, 2022 at 7:46:29 AM
To: Lee Henderson lhenderson@stevifire.com

Stevensville relief Assoc;

I am requesting retirement benefits from the Town of Stevensville.
My beginning date was approximately Oct 1996 Ending will be Oct 2022.

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