

MINUTES
CITY OF HIGHLAND
REGULAR MEETING
FOREIGN FIRE INSURANCE BOARD
TUESDAY, November 2, 2021
8:00 PM
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING, 12990 Troxler Avenue

A Regular Meeting of the City of Highland Foreign Fire Insurance Board was held on 8:00 PM, Tuesday, July 6, 2021. The meeting was held at the Public Safety Building located at 12990 Troxler Avenue. The minutes from this meeting are as follows:

A. Call to Order: 8:00 PM

Present: Steve Clayton, Adam Knebel, Josh Suever, Logan VonHatten, Parker Nungessor, Chris Nikonovich, Brian Wilson

B. Approval of Minutes – July 6, 2021 meeting. Motion by Clayton, second by Nungessor to approve minutes as presented. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Status – Proposed Four gas analyzer purchased tabled previously.

Discussion was held regarding many different meters presented for consideration. Motion was made by A. Knebel, Seconded by Nikonovich to purchase three 4 gas detectors and one calibration kit, for a price not to exceed \$2000. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

2. Status – Proposed purchase of Carabiners previously tabled.

VonHatten updated his proposal to purchase rescue rated carabiners, stating that he recommends 20 such devices for distribution among our trucks and boat to assist with rescue incidents. Motion made by Nikonovich, seconded by Suever to purchase 20 carabiners for a total cost of \$420. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

3. Status – Proposed purchase of Water Bubbler for Boat Ramp previously approved.

VonHatten has yet to purchase. Was previously approved for a price not to exceed \$750.

4. Status – Proposed purchase of additional batteries for scene lighting previously tabled.

Nungessor updated the committee on pricing for these batteries. Motion made by Nungessor, seconded by A. Knebel to purchase TWO 12 amp hour DeWalt batteries for \$279 each. Total cost \$558. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

5. Status – Proposed purchase of second battery operated extrication tool tabled previously.

This item is tabled pending the OSFM Small Equipment Grant recently applied for to purchase this exact item.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss consideration to purchase new rescue boat.

VonHatten presented information proposing the purchase of a new rescue boat, motor and trailer, that is much lighter, easier to deploy and can also be used in smaller lakes and ponds in and around Highland. Motion was made by Clayton, seconded by Nungessor to purchase this package, including shipping and delivery, for \$15,970. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

2. Discuss consideration to purchase Ladder Belts with Tool Loops

Suever proposed replacing our existing and long ago expired pompier belts for use on our ladder truck. Motion made by Nikonovich, seconded by Clayton, to purchase 4 such belts of varying sizes for a total price not to exceed \$800. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

3. Discuss consideration to purchase back up cameras for fire apparatus.

Wilson proposed adding back up cameras to the two fire apparatus currently lacking same and replacing the first generation, poor quality cameras on the other two engines. This is a potential safety issue. Cost for all four apparatus would have been \$8192. Proposal failed due to lack of motion.

4. Other items

Nungessor proposed the purchase of TWO sets of collapsible step chocks (17" Auto Cribbs) to assist with vehicle accidents and extrication. Motion made by Nungessor, seconded by Nikonovich to purchase TWO sets at \$1268 for each set. Total price \$2536. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

Nungessor proposed the purchase of battery operated positive pressure fans. One size was priced at \$4227 and another priced at \$4414. Committee agreed to table this item for now, pending obtaining a demonstrator unit that we could try out and compare to our existing electric fans.

Suever passed along a suggestion given to him that we purchase a pair of "quality" extrication gloves for each member. With the wide variation in pricing for these gloves and the ambiguous definition of "quality", the committee agreed to table this item for now pending a more defined request, including pricing.

Wilson brought forward a request from a member to purchase plastic door wedges for each member to carry in their bunker coats. These device are available at a maximum cost of \$7.90 each. Motion made by Nungessor, seconded by Nikonovich to purchase 60 such wedges for a total price not to exceed \$474. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

Suggestion by C. Straub to consider the purchase of navy blue uniform pants, to be worn during the various events we are involved in. The idea is to look more uniform and professional during these public events. Motion made by Nikonovich, seconded by VonHatten to purchase one pair of navy blue uniform pants to each member at a cost not to exceed \$1200. Unanimous approval by voice vote.

E. Adjournment: 8:55 P.M.

January 4, 2022 will be the next regularly scheduled foreign fire board meeting at 8:00 PM.

J. Brian Wilson, Chairman

Foreign Fire Insurance Board