

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF HIGHLAND**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**FOREIGN FIRE INSURANCE BOARD**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021**  
**8:00 PM**  
**SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER, 189 WOODCREST**

These are the Minutes of the regular meeting of the City of Highland Foreign Fire Insurance Board scheduled for 8:00 PM, Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was held at the Senior Center located at 189 Woodcrest and made available to the public via Zoom.

A. **Call to Order at 8:05 PM**

**ROLL CALL: PRESENT:** Adam Knebel, Steve Clayton, Josh Suever, Logan Von Hatten, Parker Nungesser, and Brian Wilson. **ABSENT:** Jason Bergkoetter

B. Approval of Minutes of October 6, 2020 meeting – Motion to approve by Knebel, Second by Suever. Unanimous approval.

C. Open discussion and possible associated vote regarding equipment needs and purchase recommendations.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Nungesser stated that there was a need to have a battery operated impact driver to be placed on the extrication engine to assist with auto extrication. He states these devices cost about \$150. Committee members agree that this equipment can be of value in certain situations. Nungesser – Motion to purchase impact drive for a cost not to exceed \$200.00. Von Hatten – Second the motion. The following voted “AYE” to approve this purchase: Knebel, Clayton, Suever, Wilson, Von Hatten, Nungesser. There were no “NAY” votes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Nungesser inquired as to the status of the battery operated Dewalt Leaf Blowers that were approved for purchase at the October 6, 2020 meeting. It was determined that they had not yet been purchased. Nungesser will follow up on making this purchase.
- Nungesser inquired if anyone had purchased the remaining two 12 volt batteries approved at a previous meeting. Four batteries were approved for purchase but only two were in stock at the time so only those two were bought. Nungesser will follow up on purchasing the two outstanding batteries.
- Von Hatten provided information regarding improved/additional emergency lighting for unit 1591. This was discussed originally at the October 6, 2020 meeting. Von Hatten states that the

additional emergency lighting will cost about \$340. Motion made by Clayton to purchase the additional lighting for a cost not to exceed \$400. Seconded by Suever.

Voting "AYE" for this purchase: Knebel, Clayton, Suever, Von Hatten, Nungesser, Wilson. There were no "NAY" votes.

- Von Hatten reviewed research regarding tech rescue helmets to be worn for ice rescue or other technical rescue events where fire helmets are not practical. After discussion, Nungesser made a motion to purchase 5 of these helmets for a price not to exceed \$450. Seconded by Clayton. Voting "AYE" for this purchase: Knebel, Clayton, Suever, Von Hatten, Nungesser, Wilson. There were no "NAY" votes.
- Four gas detection meters were researched by Clayton following the October meeting. The pricing sheet contained several units and a wide variation in pricing, which ranged between \$250 and \$980. Discussion included how well the various units worked and if the cheaper units offered the same capabilities as the more expensive. It was decided to contact vendors and get these meters in so we can evaluate them. This item is tabled until the next scheduled meeting of the FFIB.
- Knebel presented pricing information on lighted Stop/Slow signs for use during traffic control at accident scenes, particularly at night. These are rechargeable and very similar to what Highland Pierron uses. These signs are priced at \$250 each. It was determined that we would need two per front line engine, for a total of four units. Nungesser made a motion to approve a price not to exceed \$1000 for the purchase of four signs. Seconded by Suever. Voting "AYE" for this purchase: Knebel, Suever, Von Hatten, Nungesser, Wilson. Voting "NAY" for this purchase: Clayton.
- Von Hatten inquired as to the cost of updating the graphics on units 1550. The sign company has not yet presented pricing for that project. Project is tabled until the next meeting.

**D. Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn by Nungesser, Seconded by Suever. Voting "AYE" for this motion: Knebel, Clayton, Suever, Von Hatten, Nungesser, Wilson. There were no "NAY" votes.

April 6, 2021 will be the next regularly scheduled foreign fire board meeting at 8:00 PM.

J. Brian Wilson, Chairman

Foreign Fire Insurance Board