

Joint Meeting of the Belgium Fire Department, Town of Belgium Board and the Village of Belgium Board – October 13, 2009

The following media were noticed relative to this meeting per the Open Meetings Law of the State of Wisconsin: The Ozaukee Press, Port Washington, WI; The Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel (Ozaukee-Washington Desk), Milwaukee, WI; The Sheboygan Press, Sheboygan, WI. In addition, a copy of the agenda was also posted at the following locations within the Village of Belgium: Belgium Village Hall, Belgium Post Office, Port Washington State Bank (Belgium Office), Harris Bank, N.A. (Belgium Office), and Belgium Hardware and Beverage.

Call to Order, Roll Call, Establishment of a Quorum:

Cindy Large, President of the Belgium Fire Department called the meeting to order at 6:57 p.m. Present for the Belgium Fire Department were: Chris Schmidt, Leon Anzia, Danny Birenbaum, Josh Borden, Tom Lynaugh, Tammy S. Pfeifer, Michele Wester, Pat Wester, Scott Anzia, and Charlie Brasile. Also present was Scott Krueger – Reliant Fire Apparatus. Present for the Town of Belgium Board were William Janeshek and Francis Kleckner. Absent was Thomas Winker. Present for the Village of Belgium were President Kevin Kowalkowski, Trustees Ronald Weyker, John Thiele, Eric Wilkowski, and Clem Gottsacker. Absent was Trustee Jeff Ritter. Quorums were declared established for the Town of Belgium Board and the Village of Belgium Board. Also present was Dave Maiman and Carol Pomeday – The Ozaukee County Press (7:07 p.m.).

Approval of Minutes – October 28, 2008

No action taken.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- Scott H. Krueger – Reliant Fire Apparatus, to give presentation of financing from Oshkosh Truck. Presentation from Scott Krueger. Gave some basis for cost behind fire apparatus and to the standard NFPA 1901 to which apparatus are built. In 1990 it became standard to have an enclosed cab, new NFPA standards came out in 1996, 2004, and the newest in 2009. Discussed part of new standard of 2009, being Appendix D – black box. Further discussion took place.

Carol Pomeday entered the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Also presented were financing options available through Pierce manufacturing. The Pierce-Oshkosh program, Oshkosh Capital, an arm of Oshkosh Corporation finances all of the municipal vehicles that Oshkosh sells. Oshkosh Capital offers a lease purchase plan in which the vehicle can typically be paid off over 3, 5, 7, or 10 years. The current rates for Oshkosh Capital are 3.34% for 3 years, 3.81% for 5 years, 4.36% for 7 years, and 4.74% for 10 years. All or part of apparatus can be financed. Current lead-time on a build to order apparatus is 6-7 months. If a prepayment plan is selected the balance will continue to earn 7.25% simple interest up until the final pickup at which time the final amount will be taken out resulting in a zero balance and complete payment of apparatus. Discussion took place.

- Proposed 2010 Fire Department Budget. Fire Chief Dan Birenbaum went over Belgium Fire Department Fire and Rescue Call numbers, to date there are 138 calls compared to 122 as of this date last year. Status of grant for new engine, still have not heard anything. Chief Dan Birenbaum questioned what the plan of attack might be if the grant did not go through. Discussion took place. It was determined to hold another meeting as soon as new information about the grant becomes available. Chief Birenbaum reviewed the Belgium Fire Department information provided for the meeting and further discussion took place. Review of the apparatus replacement schedule took place. Chief Dan Birenbaum pointed out that in 2012, due to the useful life of the product, 60 air bottles will need to be replaced at a cost of \$800/bottle totaling \$48,000.00.

The Belgium Fire Department Budget for 2010 was reviewed. New items needed for 2010 include:

NO.	ITEM	COST
3	Complete set of Gear @ \$1600/set	\$4,800.00
6	Pagers @ \$400/pager	\$2,400.00
10	Pairs of gloves @ \$52/pair	\$520.00
	TOTAL	\$7,720.00

The Village of Belgium portion of the budget relative to the Fire Department rent was reviewed. Change of lighting in Village Hall and Fire Department was discussed; there will be a focus on energy rebate for changing to energy efficient lighting fixtures/ballasts. Sealing of parking lot numbers came in the 2009 -9 months, this was budgeted for in the 2009 budget. Discussion took place.

Budget presented:

Equalized Values:

Percent of Total

Town of Belgium	\$272,084,700.00	
Less Section 6	<u>\$6,079,793.00</u>	
Total-Town of Belgium	\$266,004,907.00	60.02%
Village of Belgium	\$177,188,300.00	39.98%
Total Equalized Value	\$443,193,207.00	100%
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Times Mill Rate (5 decimels)		0.00030
Dollars Needed for Belgium Fire Department Budget Operations		\$132,260.00

Total Proposed Fire Department Budget:

Town of Belgium	\$79,382.55
Village of Belgium	\$52,877.45
Total	\$132,260.00

A motion was made by William Janeshek and seconded by Kevin Kowalkowski to approve the 2010 Belgium Fire Department Budget as presented. The Village of Belgium Board was polled: ayes – Kowalkowski, Weyker, Thiele, Wilkowski, Gottsacker; noes – none; abstain – none. The Town of Belgium Board was polled: ayes – Janeshek, Kleckner; noes – none; abstain – none. Motion carried.

Any other business that comes before the Village Board that complies with law:

Fire Chief Dan Birenbaum presented a list of items purchased by Fire Department with the 2% dues received from the state. Items such as fire prevention items and equipment can be purchased with these monies. The Belgium Fire Department Annual Banquet will be held at the Belgium Community Center and they will be celebrating 50 years of service for Steve Bley, previous Fire Chief of the Fire Department. The annual banquet will be held Saturday, November 7, 2009. Pat Wester – Belgium Fire Department, invited those interested to come and see what takes place during Fire Department practice which is held on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. He also explained that the Fire Department will be working with Cedar Grove Fire Department to conduct training involving mass casualty. This is to take place in May prior to prom and will be conducted during the school day at the Cedar Grove-Belgium High School.

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn at 8:34 p.m. was made by Francis Kleckner and seconded by Ronald Weyker. The Village of Belgium Board was polled: ayes – Kowalkowski, Weyker, Thiele, Wilkowski, Gottsacker; noes – none; abstain – none. The Town of Belgium Board was polled: ayes – Janeshek, Kleckner; noes – none; abstain – none. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lila M. Mueller, CMC
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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