

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF JUNE 23, 2016  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Trustee Victoria Cobbett called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lemont Fire Protection District to order on June 23, 2016, at 7:03 PM. The meeting was conducted at 15900 New Avenue, Lemont, IL.

Trustee Cobbett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** On call of roll Trustees Victoria Cobbett, William Ward, Glenn Bergmark, and Keith Latz. Trustee Michael Kasperski was absent due to work obligations

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Attorney Laura Weizeorick, Fire Chief George Rimbo, Deputy Chief Jay Nickleski and Recording Secretary Carla Clark.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY:** Trustee Cobbett administered the oath of office of Fire Commissioner to John Bernacchi. Congratulations were given by all.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made, under consent agenda, by Trustee Latz to approve the May 19, 2016, regular meeting minutes and the May 19, 2016, closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Latz read the bill listing totaling \$876,936.07. Trustee Latz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**AUDIT PRESENTATION:** Mr. Lou Karrison reviewed the financial highlights of the 2015 fiscal year audit. He stated the District's liabilities exceed its assets by \$(5,522,484.00). During

2015 the District's total net position increased by \$2,077,269.00. As of December 31, 2015 the District reported combined ending fund balances of \$4,464,833.000, an increase of \$421,328.00 from the prior year. Of this amount the general and ambulance funds had a combined ending fund balance of \$1,345,431.00 (unassigned), tort liability fund had an ending fund balance of \$(149,045.00), other special revenues funds had an ending balance of \$63,975.00, capital projects fund had an ending fund balance of \$3,184,771.00 and the debt service had an ending balance of \$19,701.00. He stated the GASB 67/68 require new reporting methods. For fiscal year 2015 the net pension liability of \$12,219,860.00 is reflected in our financial statements on the balance sheet. He stated that our financial statements presented fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information for the Lemont Fire District. Trustee Latz pointed out that the District's long term debt will be paid off by year 2020. A motion was made by Trustee Latz to approve the 2015 fiscal year audit, as presented, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the Treasurer's annual statement for fiscal year 2015, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD:** Trustee Cobbett stated the Marine Corps League was holding their annual corn roast fund raiser in a nearby community this coming weekend.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:** Attorney Weizeorick updated the Trustees on HB 4522, charges for non-residents, charges were \$250.00 per vehicle, per hour. The change to \$250.00 per hour passed on May 31, 2016 and is waiting for the Governor's signature. Once this is signed, the District should revise their Ordinance for non-resident charges.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** Deputy Chief Nickleski updated the Board on apparatus, training and the various meetings he attended since last meeting. He stated we responded to 300 calls in May which is an 18.5% increase over May, 2015. Deputy Chief Nickleski stated that employees logged in 1387.5 hours of training for the month of May. He informed the Board the delivery of our ladder truck has been delayed, we are now anticipating delivery by the end of July.

Chief Rimbo stated we hosted the IFSAP burn camp poster committee at Station 1 on June 8<sup>th</sup>. He informed the Trustees that Mechanic Smollen was in Minnesota for a week of training with Rosenbauer where he will also take his EVT test. Chief Rimbo stated our Firefighter entry written exam has been completed, 78 tested and 60 passed. Chief Rimbo stated he attended a LEMA table top drill on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. He reminded the Trustees that the Park District has invited them to attend their annual Independence Day Extravaganza from 6 – 8 PM on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Latz to adopt Resolution 16-01, Prevailing Wage Statement, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to renew our active membership with the Lemont Odor Alert Network at a cost of \$2,000.00, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Latz to approve Station 1 sealcoating by Wilson Paving & Sealcoating at a cost of \$3,250.00, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve Station 2 sealcoating by Wilson Paving & Sealcoating at a cost of \$1,225.00, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Ward to approve the purchase of (9) sets of turn out gear from Air One at a cost of \$29,835.00, seconded by Trustee Latz. Chief Rimbo stated Air One is a single source supplier in our territory for Morning Pride gear. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the lighting upgrade for Station 3 apparatus floor from Paramont EO at a cost of \$4,646.04, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Ward to approve the promotional written exam development services for the rank of Lieutenant and Battalion Chief from Stanard & Associates, Inc. at a cost of \$6,675.00, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to adopt Resolution 16-02, declaring our Ingersoll-Rand T-30 air compressor surplus property, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee**

Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Chief Rimbo invited IT Manager, Fernando Alfonso, to come up and explain the need for the network hardware before the Trustees for their approval this evening. Mr. Alfonso stated since we upgraded to the fiber optic network our current hardware could not handle the speed we are trying to achieve on the fiber network. This equipment will be able to handle the fiber network and allow us to grow and create backups. Questions were asked and answered. Trustee Latz asked why Cisco equipment and not Juniper. Mr. Alfonso introduced Mr. Anthony Divita with Virtek to answer. Mr. Divita stated that Cisco is still considered the top of the line. He stated that Cisco is proven and rock solid. He also stated that there are more technicians for Cisco than any other brand. A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the network hardware and labor for convergence from T1 to fiber optic from Virtek at a cost of \$17,362.25, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

A motion was made by Trustee Ward to purchase a Megacode Kelly training manikin from Henry Schein at a cost of \$6,147.00, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Trustee Ward to enter closed session at 7:55 PM to discuss probable or pending litigation, collective negotiations for one or more classes of employees, the appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of an employee, and to review Fire Chief Rimbo's contract, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:** The regular meeting reconvened at 8:04 PM on a motion by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve Fire Chief George Rimbo 3 year contract, as presented, commencing on July 18, 2016 and terminating on July 17, 2019 with an annual salary of \$139,246.00, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM on a motion made by Trustee Bergmark seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

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Glenn Bergmark, Secretary