

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2017
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 March 16, 2017, at 6:00 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, Glenn Bergmark, Dan Tholotowsky, Dan Tasso and Michael Kasperski.

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Tom Gilbert, 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 Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Richard Lee wished Trustee Dan Tholotowsky good luck with the upcoming election. Trustee Tholotowsky returned the wish to Mr. Lee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made, under consent agenda, by Trustee Kasperski to approve the February 16, 2017, regular meeting minutes and February 16, 2017, regular closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD: Trustee Bergmark commented on the wake of Judy Baker, stating that the turn out from our Fire District was large. Trustee Cobbett extended condolences from the entire Board to Carla and her family on the loss of her mother Judy. Trustee Cobbett mentioned the upcoming 9th annual Men who can Cook event on March 25th in Mokena to support abused children.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Kasperski read the bill listing totaling \$1,459,328.21. Trustee Bergmark questioned the \$253,702.50 payment to the Pension Fund. Recording Secretary Clark responded by stating that is in error, the monies were to pay our debt obligation from the Capital Fund. The \$253,702.50 should be listed under Capital Fund. Trustee Kasperski made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as amended, seconded by

Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Gilbert stated the Governor's HB 6630 proposal to freeze property taxes is still floating in the legislature. He stated as of now the version that is out there exempts safety purpose levies which would be our Corporate, Ambulance and Pension. He stated only if it passes will we know how it affects us.

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 260 calls in February which is a 16.2% decrease over February, 2016. Deputy Chief Nickleski stated that employees logged in 1857 hours of training for the month of February. He stated we have completed all of our mobile and portable radio reprogramming that was required due to the consolidation of the area dispatch centers. Our most recent operating guideline to be implemented is Rescue Task Force. All shift personnel have completed their ACLS re-certification.

Chief Rimbo reflected on our part-time Secretary, Judy Baker, who passed away suddenly. Chief Rimbo announced that our annual St. Baldrick's fund raiser raised approximately \$121,000.00, of which \$16,000.00 was from Lemont FPD. He thanked all involved with this annual event. He gave an update on the server room project. He stated the floor is finished, the room is being painted and shelves are being installed. The voice and data cables will be run next week. He stated the project is still on track for the June completion date. Chief Rimbo invited Fire Marshal Ben DeAnda to give an update on the Fire Prevention Bureau. Fire Marshal DeAnda stated the (2) new part-time inspectors have started and they are working out good. With everyone in place and the implementation of company inspections his goal is to have all of the buildings inspected at 100% by the end of the year. The Brycer service the Board approved is up and running. Currently, the data base is being uploaded and is a tedious process. He commented on the Sandy's Public Education programs; After the Fire, Adopt a Firefighter, Safesitter classes, Special Olympic event and Juvenile Fire Setters class.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to purchase ten (10) sets of turn out gear from Air One at a cost of \$32,950.00, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to purchase office furniture for the Public Educator/EMS Coordinator office from Chicago Office Products at a cost of \$5,380.54, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo stated the sealed bids for Station 3 sprinkler project with FEMA grant monies were opened at a formal bid opening held on March 6, 2017 at 3:00 PM. We had (1) bid submitted and after reviewing the proposal and checking references that proposal is before you for approval tonight. A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve the bid submitted by Advanced Fire Protection in the amount of \$38,030.00, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM on a motion made by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the ____ day of _____, 2017.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Bergmark, Secretary