

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2018  
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 15, 2018, 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, Michael Kasperski and Dan Tasso.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Attorney Tom Gilbert, Fire Chief George Rimbo, 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:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made, under consent agenda, by Trustee Kasperski, to approve the February 15, 2018, regular meeting minutes, February 15, 2018 closed session minutes, and February 22, 2018, special meeting minutes seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Tasso read the bill listing totaling \$708,169.44. Trustee Tasso made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD:** Trustee Cobbett announced that the Board appointed Mr. Joe Falese as Fire Commissioner at a special meeting held on March 13, 2018. Mr. Falese will fill the vacancy left by Mr. Walter Hilger. Trustee Tholotowsky stated he attended Mr. Hilger's wake and met with the family. He also stated he attended the first S.W.O.T. committee meeting and it went very well.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:** None

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** Deputy Chief Nickleski was absent. Trustee Cobbett stated that his reports were sent ahead of time and if there were any questions Fire Chief Rimbo could answer.

Chief Rimbo stated once again the Fire District will be assisting Lemont High School with special olympics training to be held in early May. Chief Rimbo congratulated Executive Assistant Clark for taking the time to fill out a class action law suit request on LED screens owned by the District in the

1990's. She was able to recoup \$1,993.00 from that suit. He stated Exxon Mobil donated \$2,000.00 to the District and we will be purchasing foam eductors with the funds. He congratulated Mechanic Smollen for securing a donation from Bridgestone tires in the form of 10 truck tires valued at approximately \$9,000.00.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to ratify the Chief's approval for hose and ladder testing by Waterway Northern Illinois as a cost of \$4,312.75, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to ratify the Chief's approval to renew blue card certifications from Blue Card at a cost of \$3,400.00, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve the purchase of a PortaCount Model 8040 fit tester, with IPRF grant monies, from TSI at a cost of \$10,580.00, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to ratify the Chief's approval to purchase (4) surface pro's, with IPRF grant monies, from Microsoft at a cost of \$5,215.36, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Trustee Tasso to enter closed session at 6:10 PM for discussion on probable or pending litigation, collective negotiations for one or more classes of employees, appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of an employee and review of closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:** The regular meeting reconvened at 6:40 PM on a motion by Trustee Tasso, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

**ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to release the closed session minutes from May 19, 2016, regular meeting, February 16, 2017, regular meeting, April 20, 2017, regular meeting, April 27, 2017, special meeting, May 18, 2017, regular meeting, June 15, 2017, regular meeting, September 21, 2017, regular meeting and November 9, 2017, regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM on a motion made by Trustee Kasperski, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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Victoria Cobbett, President

**ATTEST:**

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Glenn Bergmark, Secretary