

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF AUGUST 16, 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 August 16, 2018, at 6:01 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 Tasso, Dan Tholotowsky and Michael Kasperski.

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Tom Gilbert, Fire Chief George Rimbo, Deputy Chief Nickleski and Recording Secretary Carla Clark.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

SWEARING IN CEREMONY: Trustee Cobbett administered the oath of office of Firefighter/Paramedic to Cody Post and Brendan Bandyk. Congratulations were given by all.

RECESS: Trustee Cobbett called for a 15 minute recess at 6:08 PM and invited all to enjoy some refreshments.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting reconvened at 6:21 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky, under consent agenda, to approve the July 19, 2018, regular meeting minutes and July 19, 2018, 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.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Tasso read the bill listing totaling \$1,021,335.31. 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 Tholotowsky mentioned that the NIFSAB had a very nice memorial tribute to Joyce Stanislawski in their electronic newsletter. Trustee Bergmark mentioned he attended a celebration for Mr. Jim Christman who is retiring from Citgo after 38 years.

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

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 350 calls in July which is a 2.2%

decrease over July, 2017. Deputy Chief Nickleski stated that employees logged in 1397 hours of training for the month of July. He stated that the new portable radios have been placed into service on July 27, 2018. He thanked the Board for approving the purchase of radios as they will improve the safety on the fire ground immensely. He passed around an old radio and the new radio so the Board could see the difference. He stated our RTF team has had an opportunity to begin a series of training sessions with the Department of Homeland Security and the Lemont PD on rescue task force operations. He stated 10 training sessions have been offered, so far we have participated in 3.

Chief Rimbo mentioned that former Fire Chief Churulo and former Fire Commissioner Heatherington purchased a tree and had it planted outside Joyce Stanislawski's office window in remembrance. They are also securing a plaque to be placed there as well. Chief Rimbo stated he attended the Emergency Vehicle night at the Lemont car show and it was well attended. He stated starting September 1st the Village of Woodridge will be honoring those that serve to include Fire, Police and Military and will be displaying the various entities logos on their electric sign by the Seven Bridges complex on Route 53. Our patch will be displayed since we provide service to parts of the Village of Woodridge. He stated this is a nice gesture by the Village of Woodridge. He stated we are beginning to put together our health insurance committee and asked the Board which Trustee will sit on the committee. By mutual consent, Trustee Kasperski will be on the committee. He stated the District is having a District photo done in September and reminded the Board to come early around 5:00 PM in business attire to have their photo taken. He mentioned we are beginning our Budget process and asked the Board to check their schedules to see if they could attend a Budget workshop on October 11th around 5:00 PM.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to adopt Resolution 18-09, declaring fire ground radios surplus, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to adopt Resolution 18-10, supporting Village of Lemont's objection to the action of the States Attorney of Cook County attacking certain annexations of property now in the Village of Lemont, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Motion carried.

New Business Item C, discussion and possible action to authorize a court filing was tabled until after closed session.

A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve the hiring of Brian Madden as a part-time Fire Inspector at a rate of \$25.20 per hour, effective August 6, 2018, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve a formal bid process on the purchase of an Ambulance, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to enter closed session at 6:41 PM for discussion on probable or pending litigation, collective negotiations for one or more classes of employees, and appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of an employee, seconded by Trustee Tasso. 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 7:16 PM on a motion by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. 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 modify Chief Rimbo's contract to increase salary to \$160,000.00, effective January 1, 2019 through July 17, 2020, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM on a motion made by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Tasso. 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.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Bergmark, Secretary