

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 20, 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 September 20, 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 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 Tasso 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 by Trustee Kasperski, under consent agenda, to approve the August 16, 2018, regular meeting minutes and August 16, 2018, closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. 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 \$740,332.53. Trustee Tasso made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. 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 he participated with our Firefighters in the MDA fill the boot. He said for the short time that they were out, they collected over a \$1,000.00, and final numbers are not in yet. Trustee Cobbett invited everyone to join the VFW in their POW/MIA Remembrance ceremony tomorrow night at 7:00 PM.

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 362 calls in August which is a 17% increase over August, 2017. Deputy Chief Nickleski stated that employees logged in 1480 hours of training for the month of August. He stated RTF training continues their sessions with the Department of Homeland Security and the Lemont PD on rescue task force operations. He commented that the first level of our Budget process has been completed. The ambulance specs have gone out to bid and the committee will have a presentation for the Trustees at the Board workshop on October 11th.

Chief Rimbo stated once again we will wear our yellow childhood cancer shirts during the month of September in honor of FF/PM Chris Ganz's daughter who lost her battle to childhood cancer several years ago. He reminded the Board of the special workshop on October 11th at 5:30 to go over the proposed 2019 Budget and the presentation from the ambulance committee. He invited everyone to join us at our annual open house this year on October 13th from 11:00 to 2:00 PM. He requested permission from the Board to look into a collection agency service to help with collections against non-residents of the District. By mutual consent, the Board agreed. Chief invited Battalion Chief Frank Jareczek to present an update on our accreditation process.

BC Jareczek gave a brief update on how the process is progressing since we have officially applied as registered agency in 2018. We have three years in which to apply as an applicant agency or ask for an extension. After that we have eighteen months to get everything to the Accrediation Board who will then send a peer review board out to analyze everything that has been done. If everything is in order you will then go before the Accrediation Commission for review and approval.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Rimbo requested approval to hire four firefighter/paramedics, he stated current staffing is down by four. A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve the hiring of four firefighter/paramedics, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. 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 Tasso to ratify the apron build out at Station 4 by Industrial Commercial Services at a cost of \$4,765.00, 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 Kasperski to approve LED lighting upgrades at Station 2 and Station 3 by Twin Supplies, LTD at a cost of \$6,790.76, seconded by Trustee Tasso. 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 18-11, declaring rescue stabilization struts surplus, seconded by Trustee Tasso. 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 Bergmark to acknowledge receipt of the Pension Fund's request for levy in the amount of \$1,488,367.00, 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 Tholotowsky to appoint Executive Assistant Carla Clark as the Local Election Official for the consolidated election on April 2, 2019, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Chief Rimbo stated we have one Trustee seat open for the upcoming election. 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 Kasperski to enter closed session at 6:29 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 7:01 PM on a motion 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.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:02 PM on a motion made by Trustee Tholotowsky, 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