

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 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 October 18, 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 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 by Trustee Tasso, under consent agenda, to approve the September 20, 2018, regular meeting minutes, September 20, 2018, closed session minutes, and October 11, 2018, special meeting 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 \$852,195.02. 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 stated he attended our open house on Saturday, October 13th, he wanted to thank Sandy Dominik, Public Educator, Gold Shift and the off duty personnel who came out to help. Trustee Bergmark stated that the LEAC recycling day was also that Saturday and announcements that were made at open house helped in spreading the word about the recycling program going on.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Gilbert stated he worked with Executive Assistant Clark on the levy numbers for tax year 2018 and reviewed the Budget in tonight's packet. He stated he work on some tax reparations that Romeoville will owe us next year for the property that they annexed.

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 305 calls in September which is a 5% increase over September, 2017. Deputy Chief Nickleski stated that employees logged in 1307 hours of training for the month of September. He stated the training sessions with the Department of Homeland Security and the Lemont PD on rescue task force operations has concluded. He stated we

are now working with them on some future training together. He stated our Ladder truck has passed its first annual ladder inspection.

Chief Rimbo also thanked everyone involved with making our open house a success this year. Chief Rimbo stated once again we will wear our pink breast cancer awareness shirts during the month of October. He gave an update on the Station 2 tanker inspection, he said the frame is rotted out. The tanker has been taken out of service and Northwest Homer will respond auto-aid. He stated we have the larger tanker here at Station 1. He stated Will County Fire Chief's will be honoring former Chief Carl Churulo at a luncheon banquet on November 15th and asked if any of the Trustees would like to attend the banquet with him. He commented on a Senior Citizen's Group meeting that Pub. Ed. Sandy Dominik and DC Nickleski attended while he was out of town. He received a nice thank you note from them.

BUDGET HEARING: A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to open the meeting to the public at 6:19 PM for comments with regards to Ordinance 18-01, Budget fiscal year 2019, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Recording Secretary Clark stated the 30 day budget notice was published and a copy of the proposed budget has been available to the public. Chief Rimbo stated the budget presented tonight for approval is the same one the Board reviewed in detail at a special meeting on October 11, 2018. Chief Rimbo gave a brief power point presentation on the 2019 Budget. He stated our Levy request will be 110% of the 2017 extended taxes amount. No member of the public addressed the Trustees on the proposed Budget and Appropriations Ordinance 18-01 for fiscal year 2019; therefore a motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to close the hearing at 6:27 PM, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. 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 Tholotowsky to adopt Ordinance 18-01, Budget and Appropriations for fiscal year 2019, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to ratify the purchase of a replacement laptop for IT Manager Alfonso from the Apple Store at a cost of \$3,617.00, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion Carried.

A discussion on two options; stryker power load \$23,500.00 and aluminum wheels \$900.00, for the new 2019 Ambulance was discussed. A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the purchase of a new 2019 Lifeline ambulance, as proposed, with the addition of the options for a total cost of \$259,855.00, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion Carried.

Chief Rimbo stated research was done on collection agency companies for all unpaid non-resident ambulance service bills. He is recommending that we use Northwest Collectors, Inc. A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to enter into an agreement with Northwest Collectors, Inc. for all unpaid non-resident ambulance service bills, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. 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 Tholotowsky to enter closed session at 6:45 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 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 7:05 PM on a motion by Trustee Kasperski, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Bergmark.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM on a motion made by Trustee Tasso, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Bergmark.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the ____ day of _____, 2018.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Bergmark, Secretary