LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF AUGUST 3, 2026
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Nickleski called the regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Lemont Fire Protection District to order on August 3, 2026, at 9:30AM. The meeting was conducted at 15900 New Avenue, Lemont, Illinois.

Commissioner Nickleski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: On call of roll Commissioner Jay Nickleski, Commissioner George Rimbo, Commissioner Bernacchi was absent. Chairperson Pro Tem, Jay Nickleski presided over the meeting.

OTHERS PRESENT: Chief Dan Tasso, Recording Secretary Sandy Dominik

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Commissioner Rimbo to approve May 4th, 2026, regular meeting minutes, as presented, seconded by Commissioner Nickleski. Roll Call: Commissioner Nickleski, yes. Commissioner Rimbo, yes. Commissioner Bernacchi, absent. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: Chief Tasso reported the firefighter application process through the National Testing Network went live last week and will be kept open until August 28th at 3 PM. After the application was reviewed by the attorney, slight revisions were made to the process. Chief Tasso stated there are about 30 applicants in the process of completion. Lt Fischer, FF/PM Cirrincione and FF/PM Baetz created and edited a recruiting video for social media, and in addition to the NTN, the application is posted on the Blue Line. Chief Tasso explained that himself, DC Peksa, BC Evers, and FF/PM Gubbins will be evaluators of the candidate's oral interviews. Chief anticipates hiring 4 new members, filling one vacancy and adding 3 additional to staffing and explained the hiring timeline will be dependent on the construction progress. Chief Tasso anticipates hiring three from a newly established list, increasing staffing from 36 to 39 firefighters with the goal of reducing the use of jump companies. Chief Tasso mentioned, he and Commissioner Bernacchi discussed reviewing the language to clarify what preference points would be acceptable in the application process. Commissioner Nickleski and Commissioner Rimbo agreed to update the language in the application to match the bylaws of the contract. The next BOC meeting is scheduled for November 2nd, 2026.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 09:52 AM on a motion made by Commissioner Rimbo, seconded by Commissioner Nickleski. Roll Call: Commissioner Rimbo, yes. Commissioner Nickleski, yes. Commissioner Bernacchi, absent. Motion carried.

Approved as is/amended by the Board of Fire Commissioners on the day ____ of_____, 2026.

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Jay Nickleski, Chairperson pro tem

ATTEST:

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George Rimbo, Secretary