

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2013  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Trustee Richard Rimbo called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lemont Fire Protection District to order on March 21, 2013, at 7:00 PM. The meeting was conducted at 15900 New Avenue, Lemont, Illinois.

Attorney Joe Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** On call of roll Trustees Richard Rimbo, Glenn Bergmark, Victoria Cobbett, and Keith Latz. Trustee Michael Kasperski was absent.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Chief Carl Churulo, Deputy Chief Jay Nickleski, Attorney Joe Miller and Recording Secretary Carla Clark.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Trustee Cobbett to approve the February 13, 2013, special meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski. A motion was made by Trustee Cobbett to approve the February 21, 2013, regular meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Latz read the bill listing totaling \$671,940.53. Trustee Latz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD:** Trustee Latz stated with Chief Churulo retiring this August, the Board of Trustees has begun the process for his replacement. Trustee Latz stated currently they are accepting applications from within the Fire District.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** Chief Churulo updated the Board on the activities of the District since the last meeting, including Fire Prevention Bureau, outside meetings, communications, administrative meetings, and community projects attended by personnel.

Chief Churulo informed the Board that the Board of Fire Commissioners is moving forward with the promotional testing for the rank of Lieutenant and Battalion Chief beginning in July, 2013. They interviewed a company to create the written part of the process and will approve them at their April Board meeting.

Chief Churulo congratulated Trustee Cobbett and her husband, Gary, on celebrating their 42<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary this evening. Chief Churulo and Trustee Rimbo recognized Deputy Chief Nickleski for his 30 years of service with the Fire District. They presented him with a 30 year pin and watch. Congratulations were given by all.

Deputy Chief Nickleski updated the Board on apparatus, training and the various meetings he attended since last meeting. He stated that our February call volume for 2013 decreased by 25.5% over February 2012.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:** Attorney Miller updated the Board on the DuPage County tax rate objections filed against the Fire District. He stated that he will be in court on April 2, 2013, attempting to get the objections dismissed.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:** Battalion Chief George Rimbo presented a 2012 annual review of the Training and Safety division goals. He discussed the quality daily training program via the training website. He then displayed the website in order to show the Board how the employees access and utilize the website for training. He also reviewed the following areas: basic core firefighting skill training, validation testing (ground ladders, tenders, FAE skills and air bags), safety training and mandatory training. He stated that he responds as ISO for MABAS 10 IMAT team, is part of the safety committee that meets quarterly and oversees the 4 site visits by IPRF every year.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** A motion was made by Trustee Cobbett to approve the purchase of a flammable liquid cabinet from Global Industrial at a cost of \$939.04, using IPRF grant monies, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Battalion Chief Rimbo stated over the years Battalion Chief Peksa has been involved with on-site rescue and TRT training at Oxbow Midwest Calcining. During that time, Battalion Chief Peksa has discussed with Mr. Matt Tomy the need for some firefighting, training and rescue equipment the Fire District could use. Mr. Matt Tomy of Oxbow Midwest Calcining came down to Station 1 last week and presented a donation check in the amount of \$10,000.00 to the Fire District to purchase the equipment needed. A motion was made by Trustee Latz to accept the \$10,000.00 donation from Oxbow Midwest Calcining, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski. Trustee Cobbett thanked Oxbow Midwest Calcining on behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Lemont Fire District.

Recording Secretary Clark informed the Board that the Ordinance to refinance our 2004 Bond series will not be ready for adoption until March 28<sup>th</sup>. She stated that she will place the Ordinance on the March 30, 2013, special meeting agenda for adoption.

**CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to enter closed session at 8:01 PM to discuss probable or pending litigation, collective negotiations for one or more classes of employees and the appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of an employee, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:** The regular meeting reconvened at 8:25 PM on a motion by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

**ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM on a motion made by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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Richard Rimbo, President

**ATTEST:**

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Victoria Cobbett, Secretary