

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2013
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 17, 2013, at 7:00 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, Richard Rimbo, Michael Kasperski, Glenn Bergmark and Keith Latz.

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Rimbo to approve, under consent agenda, the September 19, regular meeting minutes, September 19, 2013, closed session minutes, October 10, 2013, special meeting minutes and October 10, 2013 closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Latz read the bill listing totaling \$754,740.25. Trustee Latz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD: None

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Rimbo stated that in the absence of Deputy Chief Nickleski this evening, prior family commitment, the Board has received his reports for this month and ask if there were any questions. None were asked.

Chief Rimbo updated the Board on the activities of the District since the last meeting, including Fire Prevention Bureau, outside meetings, administrative meetings and community events attended by personnel.

Chief Rimbo commented on the attendance at our open house on October 6th, he stated that it was very well attended by both the residents and our personnel. He informed the Board that he attended the IFCA conference in Peoria this past week and will be attending the Trustees training program this weekend. Chief Rimbo informed the Board that FF Arthur Guzman will be retiring and his last day is October 18, 2013. The District will be having cake and coffee at Station 1 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM and invited them to stop by and wish FF Guzman well.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Rimbo requested to begin the process of hiring a probationary Firefighter to replace FF Art Guzman. A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve the process of hiring a replacement for FF Art Guzman, seconded by Trustee Rimbo. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo discussed our current ambulance rates being charged to residents and non-residents for ambulance service. He stated that since January 1, 2010, our base rates for providing BLS service is \$450.00 for residents and \$650.00 for non-residents, the base rates for providing ALS service is \$550.00 for residents and \$750.00 for non-residents. On top of the ALS base rates the District charges additional fees for oxygen, telemetry, IV supplies, and immobilization. He is recommending that the District eliminate the additional fees, but increase the ALS base rate to incorporate them. He is recommending no change to the BLS base rates. By mutual consent, the Board agreed to discuss an Ordinance reflecting Chief Rimbo's recommendation at the regular meeting next month.

Chief Rimbo discussed the one year engagement letter presented by Miriani & Associates for performing our fiscal year 2013 audit. Chief Rimbo stated that with all of the time Administration has spent reviewing quotes for health insurance, it made sense to reach out to Mr. Miriani for another year and go out for Audit proposals next year. A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the one year engagement services of Miriani & Associates to perform our fiscal year 2013 audit at a cost of \$11,500.00, seconded by Trustee Rimbo. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo discussed the 3-year renewal contract with Gear Wash for the inspection and cleaning of our turn out gear. NFPA standard 1851 governs that a firefighter's protective apparel needs to have an advanced inspection and cleaning once a year. We have been

using Gear Wash since, 2007. They have done an outstanding job over the years, tracking all inspections, cleaning and repairs performed on our apparel. A motion was made by Trustee Rimbo to approve a three year contract with Gear Wash at a yearly cost of \$10,944.00, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to enter closed session at 7:18 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, and review closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Rimbo yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting reconvened at 7:50 PM on a motion by Trustee Rimbo, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Rimbo yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to release the following closed session minutes; March 5, 2009, June 18, 2009; March 25, 2010; August 18, 2011, December 15, 2011, January 7, 2012, March 15, 2012, April 19, 2012, June 12, 2012; July 19, 2012, October 25, 2012, and December 20, 2012, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM on a motion made by Trustee Rimbo, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Rimbo, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the ____ day of _____, 2013.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Michael F. Kasperski, Secretary