

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 20, 2014  
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 November 20, 2014, 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, Glenn Bergmark, Michael Kasperski and Keith Latz.

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Trustee Bergmark gave a special thank you to Station 2 crew on October 31<sup>st</sup> for their response to his emergency situation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve, under consent agenda, the October 16, 2014, special meeting minutes, as amended with some grammatical changes, the October 16, 2014, regular meeting minutes and October 16, 2014, closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Latz read the bill listing totaling \$622,735.21. Trustee Latz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD:** None

**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 our October call volume for 2014 increased by 9.8% over October, 2013. He stated the employees of the District have logged in 838 hours of training for the month of October. He informed the Board that during October (Fire Prevention month) we reached 2080 children with public education events. The guidelines are still being updated and our ground ladders just had their annual inspection.

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 shared several thank you cards received for our emergency responses and community participation with District 113A central haunted house. Chief Rimbo informed the Board that we have begun our "Vision for Excellence" project and have invited the community to help us. He stated over 9600 flyers have been sent to all of the residents within our District explaining our project and how they can be a part of it. Chief Rimbo congratulated Joyce Stanislawski and Sandy Dominik for heading up the turkey drive here at the Fire District. This collection will go to Hope and Friendship Foundation to provide Thanksgiving dinners to those in need.

**BUDGET HEARING:** A motion was made by Trustee Latz to open the meeting to the public at 7:15 PM for comments with regards to Ordinance 14-04, Budget fiscal year 2015, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Chief Rimbo stated that the budget presented tonight for approval is the same one the Board reviewed in detail at a special meeting on October 16, 2014. Chief Rimbo presented the 2015 budget using a power point presentation. No member of the public addressed the Trustees on the proposed Budget and Appropriations Ordinance 14-04 for fiscal year 2015; therefore a motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to close the hearing at 7:25 PM, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to adopt Ordinance 14-04, Budget and Appropriations fiscal year 2015, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Chief Rimbo discussed the renewal proposal submitted by ESIP on our general liability and property insurance. He commented our cost was increased by 7% this year for a total of \$66,155.00. A motion was made by Trustee Latz to approve the renewal of our general liability and property insurance with ESIP at an annual cost of \$66,155.00,

seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo discussed the renewal proposal submitted by ESIP on accidental death and dismemberment insurance for the part-time employees at an annual cost of \$500.00. A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve the renewal of AD & D insurance for the part-time employees with ESIP at an annual cost of \$500.00, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo commented that the renewal cost for our workman compensation insurance with IPRF increased by 3% this year for a total of \$254,645.00. He also informed the Board that we qualified for the IPRF's grant program and will be receiving \$18,742.00 in grant monies. A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve the renewal of our workman compensation insurance with IPRF at a cost of \$254,645.00, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the accessories for the Polaris Ranger rescue vehicle from Shorewood Home & Auto at a cost of \$4,172.99, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to adopt Resolution 14-08, declaring communications equipment surplus, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo explained the need to replace the furnace for the fitness room and IT office. He also informed the Board that the AC unit would have to be replaced in the Spring, but we would get a better price if purchased now. A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to purchase a furnace and condenser from Karlson Enterprises at a cost of \$6,225.00, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to have WIRFS repair the radiator, cylinders and perform the UL testing on our aerial truck at a cost of \$10,679.35, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve the purchase of lifting struts from Air One using \$4,000.00 of Exxon Mobil grant monies and \$1,688.00 of District funds, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the purchase of a wheel lift for our mechanic shop from Stertil Koni at a cost of \$6,275.00, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Trustee Cobbett to enter closed session at 7:44 PM to discuss 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 Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:** The regular meeting reconvened at 8:30 PM on a motion by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

**ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM on a motion made by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

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Michael F. Kasperski, Secretary