

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF APRIL 16, 2015
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 April 16, 2015, 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, William Ward, Glenn Bergmark, Michael Kasperski and Keith Latz.

OTHERS PRESENT: Chief George Rimbo, Deputy Chief Jay Nickleski, and Attorney Tom Gilbert

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Chief Rimbo recognized retired Firefighter Fred Heller for his 21 years of service with the District and presented him with a plaque. Congratulations were given by all.

RECESS: At 7:05 PM Trustee Cobbett called for a 10 minute recess and invited everyone to enjoy some refreshments.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting reconvened at 7:16 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve, under consent agenda, March 19, 2015, regular meeting minutes and March 19, 2015, closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Latz read the bill listing totaling \$592,023.93. Trustee Latz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Kasperski.

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

FINANCIAL REPORTS: None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD: Trustee Kasperski stated the Fireman's Association participated in the St. Patrick's day parade with the antique engine. The parade went very well and everyone had a great time.

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 we responded to 272 calls in March, 2015 which is an increase of 11.4% over March, 2014. He stated the employees of the District have logged in 1127 hours of training for the month of March. He stated training on the new ATV is scheduled for the first two weeks of May and the vehicle should be in service by the middle to end of May.

Chief Rimbo congratulated Trustee Bergmark for 50 years of service to the Lemont Fire District on February 2, 2015. He was named Chaplain on February 2, 1965. Chief Rimbo informed the Board that Attorney Gilbert has reviewed the changes to Chapter 4 of the Policy Manual and he made a change to Section 4.18, Military leave of absence. He removed all the language and replaced it with the following sentence: Military leave shall be provided in accordance with State and Federal Law. Chief Rimbo congratulated FF Steve Landgraf for successfully completing the ACE Peer Fitness program through a grant with our worker compensation carrier. Chief Rimbo congratulated Mechanic Mike Smollen for his thoroughness during inspections. During his inspection on Ambulance 934 he noticed a broken sway back bar and was able to repair at a much lower cost due to early detection. Chief Rimbo stated our Strategic Plan is still in draft form, but will be ready for publication by May 1st. He thanked Battalion Chief Slivinski for his work in the creation of the document. At the request of Trustee Kasperski, Chief Rimbo informed the Board of the passing of Mary Wheatley, a friend of the fire service, last week. Per his contract, Chief Rimbo notified the Board that his evaluation and contract extension should be placed on the May agenda or before the June meeting. Chief Rimbo requested a special meeting be scheduled to go over his evaluations and contract as well as to present yearly goals.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to renew our active membership in the Lemont Odor Alert Network for an annual cost of \$2,000.00, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo stated the need to replace our 25 year old pressure washer. A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the purchase of a hot water pressure washer from Great Lakes Distributing at a cost of \$4,695.00, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo stated that over the past few months the District sent out 7 request for proposals for a \$1,000,000.00 loan to finance the purchase of a ladder truck. The District received 5 proposals and the committee (Chief Rimbo, Trustee Latz, Trustee Ward, and Exec. Asst. Clark) met to review. After reviewing, discussing and follow up questions the committee is recommending the acceptance of the proposal from JP Morgan Chase for \$1,000,000.00 at 1.42% interest over 5 years. A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to accept the proposal from JP Morgan Chase for a \$1,000,000.00 loan at 1.42% over 5 years and authorizing Chief Rimbo to execute all loan and escrow documents, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve the purchase of two sets of turnout gear from Air One at a cost of \$5,970.00 for firefighters that completed their probation, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

Chief Rimbo presented Phase 2 and Phase 3 of our accreditation analysis. A motion was made by Trustee Latz to approve Phase 2 and Phase 3 GIS Accreditation Analysis by FF106, LLC at a cost of \$18,615.00, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve Station 2 bay floor lighting replacements from Paramount EO at a cost of \$4,190.00, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM on a motion made by Trustee Kasperski, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, 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 _____, 2015.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Michael F. Kasperski, Secretary