

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2016
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 May 19, 2016, 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, and Keith Latz. Trustee Michael Kasperski was absent due to work obligations

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Vlad Shuliga, Fire Chief George Rimbo, Deputy Chief Jay Nickleski and Recording Secretary Carla Clark.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made, under consent agenda, by Trustee Ward to approve the April 21, 2016, regular meeting minutes and the April 21, 2016, closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Latz read the bill listing totaling \$851,900.85. Trustee Latz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD: Trustee Bergmark stated the Pension Fund Audit was approved at their regular meeting on May 18, 2016, and reflects that the Fund is 65% funded.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Shuliga informed the Trustees that since the State of Illinois has not approved a budget the Department of Labor has not released new prevailing wage rates for 2016. He stated if the numbers are not available by our June meeting, we will have to adopt a Resolution using last year's number. Attorney Shuliga updated the Trustees on House Bill 696, Property tax freeze bill, stating it has passed the House a while ago and has been sitting in the Senate Committee. He stated they now have a deadline of May 27, 2016 to approve or discard the bill. Attorney Shuliga informed the Trustees that House Bill 5522, directs Fire Districts with budgets over \$1,000,000.00 to post a variety of items on their website. While it may be normal business practice for us, it will affect other Districts. He stated that the good news is that if the item was previously published in a newspaper and is now listed on this Bill, we would just have to post to our website and save the publishing fees.

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 315 calls in April which is a 17.5% increase over April, 2015. Deputy Chief Nickleski stated that employees logged in 1369 hours of training for the month of April. He stated we hosted the MABAS 19 Hazmat drill on April 13th and the Combined Agency Rescue drill on April 15th. The ladder truck committee will be attending a pre-paint inspection at the beginning of June. We have been told that it should be 2 weeks after the inspection for delivery of our new ladder truck. He stated all hose testing has been completed. Deputy Chief Nickleski informed the Trustees that he has worked with the Fire Prevention Bureau staff on completing and implementing (2) of their strategic initiatives.

Chief Rimbo shared a few thank you letters received during the past month. Chief Rimbo stated Battalion Chief Peksa and himself have achieved their OSFM Chief Fire Officer Certification and will be receiving their certificates in Peoria next week. He stated they now join Battalion Chief Slivinski and Battalion Oslakovich who also earned their CFO certification. He stated, currently Deputy Chief Nickleski is in class to complete his certification as well. Chief Rimbo informed the Trustees that we received 87 applications for the Firefighter testing process. Chief Rimbo stated we have engaged Mr. Cainkar to perform an engineering study scope of work for a sprinkler service water line at Station 3. Since this project will most likely be over \$20,000.00, we will use the formal bidding process. On May 20th, Silver Cross EMS will be recognizing several of our members for their years of service and Lemont Fire District for (4) calls of the year at their annual EMS awards banquet. Chief Rimbo reminded the Trustees that their June meeting is on June 23, 2016.

Trustee Latz asked Chief Rimbo how the tornado sirens are handled and explain. Chief Rimbo stated we no longer have the ability to activate the sirens anymore since we closed our Dispatch Center. The sirens are now controlled by Lemont ESDA/LEMA. The sirens issue a warning only, they are not activated again for an all clear.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Ward to approve the initial employment agreement for Probationary Firefighter Nathan Schraeger and Probationary Firefighter Salvatore Cirrincione, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Chief Rimbo stated Commissioner John Bernacchi has submitted a letter expressing his desire to be re-appointed to another 3 year term. A motion was made by Trustee Latz to appoint John Bernacchi as a Fire Commissioner for a 3 year term, commencing June 2016 – June 2019, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the replacement and upgrade of the suspended ceiling and install (4) LED fixtures in the dayroom at Station 1 by Industrial Commercial Services, Inc. at a cost of \$8,770.00, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

A motion was made by Trustee Latz to purchase the (4) LED light fixtures from Paramount EO at a cost of \$748.24, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Ward to enter closed session at 7:25 PM to discuss probable or pending litigation, collective negotiations for one or more classes of employees, the appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of an employee, and to review Fire Chief Rimbo's evaluations, seconded by Trustee Latz. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, yes. Trustee Latz, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting reconvened at 7:51 PM on a motion by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Ward, 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 7:52 PM on a motion made by Trustee Bergmark seconded by Trustee Ward. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Ward, yes.

Trustee Bergmark, 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 _____, 2016.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Bergmark, Secretary