

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 9, 2017
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 9, 2017, at 6:02 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, Dan Tholotowsky, and Dan Tasso. Trustee Kasperski was absent due to work obligations.

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made, under consent agenda, by Trustee Bergmark, to approve the October 19, 2017, regular meeting minutes and October 19, 2017, closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Tasso read the bill listing totaling \$622,231.85. Trustee Tasso made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

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 we responded to 349 calls in October which is a 29.2% increase over October, 2016. Deputy Chief Nickleski stated that employees logged in 1355 hours of training for the month of October. He stated Engine 911 is still being painted and out of service. He stated work on our communication equipment on the tollway tower has been completed. All revisions to our MABAS 19 box alarm cards have been completed.

Chief Rimbo stated Old Quarry Middle School held an event where students and their parents could ask questions about things that concerned them, one of our Firefighters, Mike Holtz, was a panelist at the event. Chief stated last month Mechanic Mike Smollen and he delivered our old ladder truck to Shawneetown Fire Department as a donation. Six days after they took possession they responded to a commercial building fire in Eldorado with the truck. He reminded the Trustees to register for the

upcoming NIAFPD conference in January, 2018. Our apparatus bay floor concrete project is complete and needs to set until December 1st. He stated Deputy Chief Nickleski will head up the ambulance committee for our budgeted 2018 ambulance. Chief informed the Trustees that the house revenue and finance committee approved Senate Bill 851 which would temporarily freeze property taxes for a period of two years. He stated we will continue to monitor this bill.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Chief Rimbo presented a proposal from Provident Insurance for an accidental death and disability policy for all employees including part-time at a cost of \$5,426.00. He stated this plan will allow us to capture some of the monies we pay for work comp injuries. A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the proposal from Provident for AD & D insurance in the amount of \$5,426.00 for a year, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Chief Rimbo presented a proposal from IPRF in the amount of \$444,685.00 for an 18 month period. This will help to lock in our current rates for a longer period than the regular 12 months. He stated in 2016 and 2017 we had very high work comp claims which will affect our renewal rates for at least 3 years. This amount represents a 14.30% increase over last year's premium. He also informed the Board that we qualified for the IPRF's grant program and will be receiving \$15,736 in grant monies. A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve the renewal with IPRF at a cost of \$444,685.00 for an 18 month period, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Chief Rimbo requested permission to begin the process to hire a part-time inspector. By mutual consent, the Board agreed.

A motion was made by Trustee Tasso to approve the labor cost to service faulty cisco equipment by Virtek at a cost of \$3,960.00, seconded by Trustee Bergmark. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

Chief Rimbo explained the change order needed with our Station 1 concrete project. After removing the existing concrete it was discovered that we needed to upgrade our stone and piping. A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve stone and piping from Industrial Commercial Services at a cost of \$6,500.00, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

A motion was made by Trustee Tasso to adopt Ordinance 17-04, regarding the charging of fees for emergency medical and response services, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Tasso to enter closed session at 6:28 PM for discussion on probable or pending litigation and appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of an employee, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee

Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting reconvened at 6:39 PM on a motion by Trustee Tholotowsky, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve the yearly raised for non-collective bargaining employees, as recommended by the Fire Chief, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperski.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM on a motion made by Trustee Tholotowsky, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote; Trustee Kasperksi.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the ____ day of _____, 2017.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Bergmark, Secretary