

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF JANUARY 16, 2020
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 January 16, 2020, at 6:00 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, Dan Tasso and Dan Tholotowsky.

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney John Motylinski, Fire Chief Frank Jareczek, and Administrative Assistant Lisa Gabor.

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 Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY: Trustee Cobbett administered the oath of office of Firefighter/Paramedic to Matthew Hipke, Scott Kastner and Dale Staska. Congratulations were given by all.

RECESS: Trustee Cobbett called for a 15 minute recess at 6:08 PM and invited all to enjoy some refreshments.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting reconvened at 6:21 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve, under consent agenda, the December 12, 2019, regular meeting minutes and December 12, 2019, closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Tasso read the bill listing totaling \$1,316,521.47. Trustee Tasso made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD: Trustee Tholotowsky commented on DC Nickleski's retirement open house and flag ceremony, stating it was outstanding. He thanked all the employees who were involved in organizing the events.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Motylinski updated the Trustees on year end laws that will impact the Fire District. Specifically the sexual harassment policy. He stated ours will need to be updated. He stated he will have more information in the future.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Jareczek publically thanked retired DC Nickleski for his 37.5 years of service. He stated ISO will be out here on April 1, 2020 to begin our 5 year review. We currently hold an ISO rating of 4, but with all of the work we have done in the past 5 years it is optimistic to achieve a rating of 2. Chief Jareczek stated we will once again be providing years of service pins to our employees at lunches held in March for each shift. A stork along with the name of the baby we delivered was painted on the side of our new ambulance, Chief invited the Trustees to take a look after the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to adopt Ordinance 20-01, eliminate Administrative Battalion Chief position, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, no. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Tasso to approve the job description, with the recommended changes discussed at the special meeting, for Deputy Chief of Administration, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, no. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Tasso to approve the job description, with the recommended changes discussed at the special meeting, for Deputy Chief of Operations, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion Carried.

Chief Jareczek recommended that BC Matt Peksa be appointed the Deputy Chief of Operations. A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to appoint Matt Peksa as Deputy Chief of Operations, effective immediately, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, abstain. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bergmark to approve the proposals submitted by Norton and Sons in the amount of \$90,200.00 to repair the roofs damaged by hail, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Chief Jareczek stated that we have filed a claim with our insurance and will be reimbursed all but \$4,701.37. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion Carried.

CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Tasso to enter closed session at 6:31 PM for discussion on 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 Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion Carried.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting reconvened at 6:44 PM on a motion by Trustee Bergmark, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM on a motion made by Trustee Tholotowsky, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Trustee Bergmark, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Motion carried.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the ____ day of _____, 2020.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Bergmark, Secretary