

**LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF JUNE 16, 2022
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 June 16, 2022, 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, Dan Tasso, Ray Negrete, and Michael Kasperski. Trustee Joe Falese was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Frank Jareczek, Deputy Chief Matt Peksa, Deputy Chief John Truffa, Recording Secretary Carla Clark and Attorney Tom Gilbert.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to approve, under consent agenda, the May 19, 2022, regular meeting minutes, May 19, 2022, closed session minutes and June 7, 2022, special meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Negrete. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Tasso read the bill listing totaling \$1,162,367.02. Trustee Tasso made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD: Trustee Cobbett along with Fire Chief Jareczek presented annual public servant of the year awards, awarded by the VFW District 19, to David Gubbins, Firefighter of the year and Rami Elsharief, EMT of the year. Trustee Cobbett stated that they will both advance to the Department level and then possibly the National level, but those results will not be in for a few months. Congratulations were given by all.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Gilbert stated that the bidding law has been amended in order to clarify whether or not you have to go out for bids on existing Station improvements over \$20,000.00. He stated the amendment clarifies that you have to bid any station improvements over \$20,000.00.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Deputy Chief Truffa stated the District has received plans for 350 structures on the Glen Eagle property. Currently we are reviewing. He stated we hosted the annual Burn Camp poster making here at Station 1. He stated Fire Marshal Murray has partnered our public education program with the Lemont Park District to add a safety session program with the kids and with the Lemont Library for summer reading programs.

Deputy Chief Peksa updated the Board on apparatus, training and the various meetings he attended since last meeting. He stated we responded to 326 calls in May which is a decrease of .61% over May, 2021. He stated the Engine committee will come to the Board in July with a presentation. He thanked Mechanic Mike Smollen for taking our breathing air trailer to Ohio for 3 days to be upgraded.

Chief Jareczek updated the Board on the current state of the District during Covid-19 pandemic. He stated our weekly rapid testing is going well, we have not had any positive results to date. He stated we held our written exam for our Firefighter eligibility list, the next step is oral interviews and we are anticipating posting the final list on August 24th. He stated our public education program, adopt a firefighter, was very successful this year. He stated Deputy Chief Truffa and himself attended a safety plan review meeting with the Lemont School Districts and will be working with them and the Lemont Police to conduct a few drills for the upcoming school year. He extended condolences to Mary Szaldis, member of our Firemen's Association, on the passing of her mother

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to adopt Lexipol policy #1029, Uniform regulations, as a Lemont FPD policy, seconded by Trustee Tasso. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

A motion was made by Trustee Cobbett to ratify the purchase of a pressure governor for Truck 949 from Municipal Emergency Services at a cost of \$3,275.00, seconded by Trustee Negrete. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

A motion was made by Trustee Negrete to purchase responder winter parkas from Municipal Emergency Services at a cost of \$15,923.00, this cost will be split with Foreign Fire Tax Board, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to ratify the repair to Engine 1111 by Cummins Sales and Service at a cost of \$5,909.63, seconded by Trustee Cobbett. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

A motion was made by Trustee Kasperski to adopt Resolution 22-01, an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, seconded by Trustee Negrete. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Negrete to enter closed session at 6:27 PM for discussion on probable or pending litigation, collective negotiations for one or more classes of employees, acquisition of real property, and appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of an employee, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion Carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting reconvened at 6:52 PM on a motion by Trustee Tasso, seconded by Trustee Kasperski. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM on a motion made by Trustee Cobbett, seconded by Trustee Negrete. Roll Call: Trustee Cobbett, yes. Trustee Tasso, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Trustee Kasperski, yes. Motion carried. Absent from the vote, Trustee Falese

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the _____ day of _____, 2022.

Victoria Cobbett, President

ATTEST:

Michael Kasperski, Secretary