

LEMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF JULY 18, 2024
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

CALL TO ORDER: Trustee Joseph Falese called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lemont Fire Protection District to order on July 18, 2024, at 6:00 PM. The meeting was conducted at 15900 New Avenue, Lemont, IL.

Trustee Falese led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: On call of roll Trustees Dan Tholotowsky, Trustee Smollen, Trustee Falese, Trustee Negrete, Trustee Bernacchi.

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Dan Tasso, Deputy Chief Matt Peksa, Deputy Chief John Truffa, Attorney John Motylinski, and Mr. James Howard of Government Accounting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Bernacchi. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Negrete to approve the June 20, 2024, regular meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Smollen. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Negrete read the bill list totaling \$1,021,284.84. Trustee Bernacchi made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. James Howard presented to the Board a power point presentation and financial report with the year-to-date expenses and revenues through June 30, 2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Negrete to approve the Financial Report presented by Mr. James Howard, seconded by Trustee Bernacchi. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD: Trustee Falese updated the board on the timetable of possible referendum action items leading up to possible referendum efforts. He reminded the board that it will continue to be a group effort and asked the board to continue to be active participants. Trustee Tholotowsky commented that a lot of work has been done and will continue to be a group effort. Trustee Tholotowsky wanted to remind everyone with all the bad weather we have been having, to pay attention to the tornado sirens and watch alerts and to have a plan for severe weather. He thanked the FPB staff and Chief administration for being present at the July 3rd event held at the park district and reminds to leave fireworks to the professionals.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Motylinski informed the Board that the bidding bill has been signed by the Governor and will be effective January 1st 2025. The ambulance accumulation bill has not been signed but will continue to update the board when it is rolled over for signature.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Deputy Chief Peksa stated the HazMat vehicle graphics are completed and hoping to be in service soon. He informed the Board the District took delivery of the new service vehicle. There are 4 Firefighters on Workers Comp. He continues to work on the Dive Squad Project. DC Peksa informed the board we responded to 370 calls last month, with a 4.5% increase for the year. The scheduled Citgo drill was cancelled and did not attend.

Deputy Chief Truffa updated the Board the new ambulance will be in service as soon as license plates are received. EMS Coordinator Yost is hoping to return by the end of the month after his medical time off. He Thanked the FPB for representing the District at the Park District's July 3rd fireworks show and stated crews responded to two incidents during the event.

Chief Tasso would like to recognize FF's Costa, Hopkins, Bandyk, Post, LT's Spivak, and Ganz work anniversaries this month. He congratulated Lt. Anderson on being awarded a \$1,000.00 scholarship from Illinois Fire Chief's Association. Chief Tasso informed the Board the Board of Commissioners held a special meeting on July 10th and conducted oral interviews with 16 applicants. After compiling preference points the BOC will approve the final list at the 8/5 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Trustee Negrete to approve the IGA with Orland Fire Protection District for Emergency Communications, seconded by Trustee Bernacchi. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to ratify the purchase of public education supplies from Promos911, for a total cost of \$3,013.90, seconded by Trustee Smollen. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bernacchi to ratify the yearly generator maintenance with Metro Power, in the amount of \$4,000.00, seconded by Trustee Negrete. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, no. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Negrete to ratify the purchase travel and printing expenses with Creative Entourage, in the amount of \$4,829.94, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, no. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Negrete to approve the purchase replacement of fire hose with Darley in the amount of \$8,467.20, seconded by Trustee Bernacchi. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve the purchase of the annual testing of pumps, ground, and aerial ladders with UL Solutions in the amount of \$7,373.50, seconded by Trustee Bernacchi. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

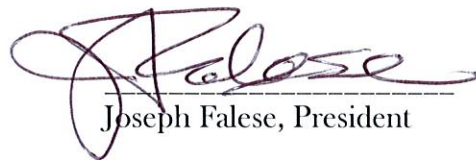
A motion was made by Trustee Tholotowsky to approve the purchase of Tollway Tower Antenna with MPSC, INC in the amount of \$48,934.13, seconded by Trustee Smollen. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Smollen to approve amendments to Lexipol policy #701, Personal Communication Devices, policy #1019, Personnel Records, policy #1022, Wellness Program, policy #1026, Pregnancy Discrimination Act, policy #1041, Family and Medical Act, and policy #1046, Anti-Retaliation. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM on a motion made by Trustee Smollen, seconded by Trustee Tholotowsky. Roll Call: Trustee Tholotowsky, yes. Trustee Smollen, yes. Trustee Falese, yes. Trustee Negrete, yes. Bernacchi, yes. Motion carried.

Approved as is / amended by the Board of Trustees on the 16 day of August, 2024.



Joseph Falese, President

ATTEST:



Linda Bernacchi, Secretary