



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD August 21, 2008

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order by Frank Wolowic, President. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Bryan Hogan, Chief Steingart and John Kelly, attorney. Minutes of the July 17th meeting were reviewed, motion to approve as prepared by Bruce Brown, seconded by Bryan Hogan and approved.

Chief's Report

Regular monthly reports on Calls, Bureau Activity, Revenue Report and Training Certifications were reviewed.

Chief also announced that the CFAI had approved Countryside for re-accreditation at the August Conference and he presented the re-aaccreditation plaque to the District.

Personnel

Chief updated the Trustees on the POP testing process – 25 had attended the orientation and were expected to participate in the written/physical phases on the 23rd. Depending on the results, the commissioners will interview up to 16 for the new class. Training will begin on 9/15.

Chief updated the Trustees on the hiring process for the business manager position...received nine resumes, will review and conduct interviews after Labor Day.

Grants – still waiting to hear on 2008 Assistance to Firefighter grant and the State of Illinois small fire equipment grant...made it through the first round...waiting on second round.

Vehicles – still finalizing ambulance specifications...planning to have final information at September meeting.

Chief reported on attending hearings for the EJ&E purchase of CN railroad and traffic/response effects. Countryside is working with Mundelein for a comprehensive answer to those questions.

Annual Dinner – Chief requested consideration to move the annual dinner from November to January to include a celebration honoring Countryside's 50th anniversary. More plans to follow. Trustees agreed to changing date.

Attorney report – John Kelly had the final Budget and Appropriations ordinance prepared, he reported that the it had been on file for 30 days, and the Budget hearing was held at 7:15pm – no questions/comments. Motion to adopt Ordinance # 08-O-01 by Bruce Brown, seconded by Bryan Hogan. Roll call vote – Wolowic-aye; Brown-aye; Bryan Hogan-aye and approved. Copies signed and sealed - John will file the appropriate copies.

John also updated the Board on the 2006 tax objections – relating to the retiree premium fund – he is working with the State's attorney to resolve.

Motion to approve and pay bills in the amount of \$134,226.16 by Bruce Brown, seconded by Bryan Hogan and approved. Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bryan Hogan and approved.

Ginny Klein, Recording Secretary

