



# COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD March 19, 2009

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Bruce Brown, President Pro-Tem. Motion made by Bryan Hogan, seconded by Bruce Brown to elect Bruce Brown as President Pro-Tem for the meeting. Roll call indicated those present: Bruce Brown, Bryan Hogan, Deputy Chief Grant and John Kelly, attorney. Minutes of the February 19th meeting were reviewed, motion to approve as prepared by Bryan Hogan, seconded by Bruce Brown and approved.

### Reports:

President Pro-Tem – Letter of thanks from Countryside Lake resident for dog rescue on ice.

Secretary – Nothing to report

Treasurer–Nothing to report

Chief's Report - The regular monthly reports on Bureau activity, training certifications and monthly revenue were reviewed.

### Personnel

Bruce Brown performed the Oath of Office Swearing in Ceremony for the following: Jessica Johnson, Michael Kamminga, Bryan Koza, Ryan Mastandrea, Chad McCormick, Danny Runions, and Brian Steen. Phil Obos was recognized as 2008 Employee of the Year at the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner for the District.

### Facilities

Antenna tower – The US Cellular has been signed and they are working with the Village of Mundelein for approvals.

### Equipment

Grants – Installation of the Diesel Exhaust Removal System for Station Two should start in late March or early April 2009.

Vehicles – Delivery of the new ambulance is expected in April, 2009. A group will be visiting the factory for an inspection prior to completion.

### Programs

2009-10 Budget – Preliminary work is underway on the 09-10 budget with an intent to have reserves in place for the 2010-11 budget year.

### Other Information

Trustee Wolowic is home in Florida and recovering well from surgery. The Chief attended the annual MABAS command conference in Peoria. The Chief held a meeting with the full-time firefighters and civilian staff to review the budget, salary and benefit programs. We attended an emergency response drill at Vernon Hills High School with the police that simulated a shooter in the school. We are working with



the CN RR and the Villages to send two members for railroad hazardous materials training in Pueblo, CO. at the expense of CN RR. Legislation in Springfield that effects Districts is being monitored and correspondence with legislators to support/oppose various bills.

Correspondence – Letters of appreciation for services provided were received from the Countryside Lake resident and VHHS for the emergency response drill.

Intergovernmental Relations – Canadian National Railroad will restart negotiations in Hawthorn Woods after the April 7 elections.

Attorney's Report – John Kelly reported that there are no new developments regarding tax objections. With a flurry of legislative activity, Governor Quinn's budget address will set the tone for the current session of the Illinois General Assembly.

Bills – A motion to approved bills paid in the amount of \$283,914.47 (check numbers 4934 to 5038 excluding 5009) by Bryan Hogan, seconded by Bruce Brown and approved.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Bryan Hogan, seconded by Bruce Brown and approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Tim Kasper  
Recording Secretary