



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD July 23, 2009

The budget hearing of the Countryside Fire Protection District was called to order at 7:30 PM by Frank Wolowic, President. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Chief Steingart and John Kelly, attorney. No members from the public were present and no comments or questions were presented. Adjournment of the budget hearing - Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bruce Brown and approved. The budget hearing was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:36 PM by Frank Wolowic, President. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Chief Steingart and John Kelly, attorney. Minutes of the June 18th meeting were reviewed, motion to approve, by Bruce Brown, seconded by Frank Wolowic and approved.

Reports:

President – No report

Secretary – No report

Treasurer – No report

Election of Officers- N/A

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

Personnel – Commissioner John Reindl re-appointment for another 3 year term; motion to approve, by Bruce Brown, seconded by Frank Wolowic and approved.

Facilities

US Cellular was approved at the Mundelein Plan Commission meeting on July 22 at 7:30 PM for variations and special use permits. This item will be going to the Village Board in August, 2009.

Negotiations with Unison continue. Our attorney is working with their counsel on documents.

Equipment

Grants – Pending – no news.

Vehicles – We are meeting with vendors for the new tanker and interface engine on July 31 to review specs and request proposals. The Illinois Finance Authority 0% Fire Apparatus Loan will be used for the first piece of fire apparatus acquired.

We are meeting with Excellance ambulance on July 30 to explore re-chassing the existing ambulances. The supply of replacement chassis vendors has moderated since the bankruptcy filing of General Motors.



Chief Steingart requested the Boards authorization to purchase two vehicles (2009 Ford Explorer and 2009 Ford Expedition) on the 09 State purchase program through Landmark Ford in Springfield. The vehicles will replace 1999 Expedition assigned to Training and the 2003 Crown Vic assigned to the Fire Marshal. The amount will not exceed \$60,000 as budgeted and includes lighting, radios and graphics. Roll call vote - Wolowic-aye and Brown-aye to approve the purchase.

Programs

The 2009 – 10 budget is completed. There was no request for public review of the proposed budget.

Other Information –

Countryside participated in the 4th of July parades in Hawthorn Woods and Vernon Hills.
Countryside provided fire safety stand-by at three fireworks displays. (Vernon Hills, Hawthorn Woods Country Club & Ivanhoe Country Club)
EMS stand-by was provided at the Vernon Hills Summer Celebration for 4 days.
D/C Grant and I attended a meeting with the CN RR regarding the train crossing monitoring system.
The CFPD Corporation Picnic will be on July 26 at Countryside Lake Beach.
IPRF will visit us on July 30 to do a safety audit.
I attended an IDOT community advisory group meeting for the proposed improvements to Rt. 60/83.

Correspondence –

7/6/2009: Thank you letter from Village of Vernon Hills for assisting in July 4th celebration.
7/6/2009: Letter from Lake County Health Department thanking D/C Grant for his work and support on the County Mass Medical Distribution Plan.
7/7/2009: Thank you letter from Village of Hawthorn Woods for assisting in July 4th celebration.
7/7/2009: Thank you card from HW resident for excellent response to kitchen fire. (Lts. Neubauer & DeRose, Fire Marshal McNally, Firemedics Sherwood, Gregurich, A. Rick, Lynn, Michelau, Raasch)
7/10/2009: Thank you letter from Village of Libertyville Fire Dept. for response to old Int'l Harvester Plant.

Intergovernmental Relations – No report.

Articles-

06/18/2009 – Vernon Hills Review: Ride to school in a fire truck.
06/26/2009 – Daily Herald: Firefighter hurt in condo fire.

Attorney's Report – John Kelly reported that there are no new developments regarding tax objections or legislative updates. Mr. Kelly stated that one is remains in order to reach an agreement with Unison.

Motion made by Frank Wolowic to adopt Budget and Appropriations Ordinance (09-O-01), second by Bruce Brown and approved. Roll call vote - Wolowic-aye and Brown-aye.

Old Business- None

New Business-None

Bills – A motion to approved bills paid in the amount of \$223,542.12 (check numbers 5351-5469) by Bruce Brown, seconded by Bryan Hogan. Motion carried.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bruce Brown and approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Tim Kasper
Recording Secretary