



# COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST.

HELD August 20, 2009

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:31 PM by Frank Wolowic, President. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Bryan Hogan, Chief Steingart and Ericka Thomas, attorney. Minutes of the July 23<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed, motion to approve, by Bruce Brown, seconded by Bryan Hogan 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 Lou Troy re-appointment for another 3 year term; motion to approve, by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bruce Brown and approved.

### Facilities

US Cellular is on the docket for the Mundelein Board meeting on August 24 at 7:30 PM for variations and special use permits. The next meeting between US Cellular and the Village of Mundelein is scheduled for September 21, 2009.

The Chief is requesting authority to execute the final contract with Sprint/Clearwire. A motion to authorize the Chief to execute the final contract with Sprint/Clearwire has been made by Bryan Hogan, seconded by Frank Wolowic and approved.

### Equipment

Grants – Pending – Only news to report is that grant funding requests exceeds the amount of grant money available.

Vehicles – We met with vendors for the new tanker and interface engine on July 31. Proposals are due from vendors on August 28. The Illinois Finance Authority 0% Fire Apparatus Loan will be used for the first piece of fire apparatus acquired.

We met with Excellence ambulance on July 30 to re-chassis an ambulance. We are awaiting a proposal.

An order has been placed for two new Ford pool vehicles.



Programs -

Fire Marshal McNally has drafted an ordinance to revise the District's Fire Prevention Code and amendments. The ordinance will adopt the 2009 International Fire Code as the model code.

Other Information –

Please visit the newly designed CFPD website at [www.countrysidefire.com](http://www.countrysidefire.com).

The Chief attended the 3rd IDOT community advisory group meeting for the proposed improvements to Rt. 60/83.

The Chief suggested a potential date of February 19, 2010 for the annual appreciation dinner at a site located within the District.

Correspondence –

7/27/2009: Thank you card from House of Hope for article and tour.

8/5/2009: Thank you letter from SRA CLC for camp visits.

Intergovernmental Relations – No report.

Articles-

8/4/2009 – Daily Herald: Pet resuscitation mask donation.

8/13/2009 – Vernon HillsHill Review: Firefighter Fun.

Attorney's Report – Ericka Thomas reported that there are no new developments regarding tax objections or legislative updates. The attorneys added language to the ordinance drafted by Fire Marshall McNally to specify fines and penalties. The added language was from the 2009 International Fire Code.

Motion made by Frank Wolowic to adopt Budget and Appropriations Ordinance (09-O-03), second by Bryan Hogan and approved. Roll call vote – Brown-aye, Wolowic-aye and Hogan-aye.

Our attorney has approved the contract with Unison. The contract is being reviewed by Unison's legal team.

Old Business-None

New Business-None

Remarks from the Floor-

Chief Grant voiced appreciation of a job well done by Nancy Gibbs and Bill Wagner in their ongoing efforts with ambulance billing, collection and recoveries.

Chief Kazian announced the following: "Supporting breast cancer awareness, Countryside is proud to welcome back the pink fire trucks for the Pink Heals Tour 2009. The Tour will be coming to Vernon Hills on Thursday, September 24 from 11 AM to 2 PM in the Macy's outlet at Westfield Shopping Town Hawthorn. The event will feature education booths, pink T-shirts for sale, a cook out, and of course, the pink fire truck. Funds raised from the event will go to the YWCA of Lake County's Encore Plus program which assists with funding for mammogram screening."

Chief Kazian's second announcement follows: "The Countryside Fire Protection District will host their annual Open House on Sunday, October 4, 2009. Countryside firefighters have been hosting a pancake breakfast for over 20 years and will be making this year extra special. The breakfast will run from 8 AM to Noon. Ticket sales benefit fire safety programs in the district and disaster relief to area residents. The cost is \$5 for a single breakfast or \$15 for a your entire family of three or more. The all-you-can-eat menu will include hot griddle pancakes, smoked sausage links, maple syrup, a variety of fruit, juice, milk, and donuts."

Bills – A motion to approved bills paid in the amount of \$325,916.54 (check numbers 5470-5564) 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 8:25 PM.

Tim Kasper  
Recording Secretary