



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD October 16, 2009

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:02 PM by Frank Wolowic, President. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bryan Hogan, Chief Steingart and John Kelly, attorney. Minutes of the September 17th meeting were reviewed, motion to approve, by Bryan Hogan, seconded by Frank Wolowic and approved.

Reports:

President – Open House and the sales of Pink T-shirts for Cancer Awareness & Relief Effort

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 – Our Public Education Coordinator, Firemedic Tony Rodkey received the Special Recognition Award from the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance for his efforts in creating the YouTube Fire Safety Contest.

I am requesting a short executive regarding personnel as it relates to hiring and promotions.

Facilities

Fire Stations - US Cellular will be starting construction on the antenna tower by the end of this month. Sprint / Clearwire is working with Mundelein for approvals and permits.

Equipment

Grants - The District received a \$2,470 grant from the Illinois Department of Public Health for mass casualty incident / triage equipment and training.

Grants Pending –

'09 Assistance to Firefighters Grant – Communications Equipment

'09 Assistance to Firefighters Fire Station Construction Grants – Sta. #1 Exhaust System

'09 Fire Prevention & Safety – we will be applying for this grant.

Vehicles – Contracts were signed for the tanker with US Tanker and interface engine with Rosenbauer. Trips to each factory will be scheduled in November.

We never heard from Excellence Ambulance after they came to visit a second time to put together a proposal for re-mounting. Therefore, we have secured a chassis with Horton and are waiting for a revised proposal.



Ambulance: Horton Emergency Vehicles, Grove City, OH; not to exceed \$200,000. Motion made by Frank Wolowic to approve a contract with Horton Emergency Vehicles not to exceed \$200,000, second by Bryan Hogan and approved. Roll call vote – Wolowic-aye and Hogan-aye.

Surplus Vehicles - The Ford Explorer has been delivered and is getting outfitted with lights and radios. The Expedition will be delivered within 3 weeks. Motion made by Frank Wolowic to declare the 1999 Ford Expedition and the 2003 Ford Crown Victoria surplus and permission to place them on-line for auction, second by Bryan Hogan and approved.

Programs –

Dispatch - Nothing new regarding the two fire agencies that are interested our dispatch services.

Surplus Vehicles - We recently received radios paid for by the mall in the amount of \$8000. Motion made by Frank Wolowic to declare certain other radios and accessories (list to be provided) surplus and to be sold on-line or at the Mundelein Swap Meet, second by Bryan Hogan and approved.

Other Information –

Staff has been meeting with health care, workers comp and property & liability insurance brokers for proposals. We will present recommendations at the November meeting.

D/C Grant and I are attending the Illinois Fire Chiefs Conference in Peoria October 12-14.

The Chiefs attended an open house at Rep. Carol Sente's office.

Open house was a huge success. Over \$6000 was raised for the Corporation. Thanks to all of our supporters and the CFPD for making it a great event.

CFPD participated in a mass casualty drill that simulated a school shooting in Deerfield on 9/26. We also participated in a similar drill at Mundelein HS on 10/16.

Lt. Tony DeRose ran the Chicago Marathon.

Correspondence –

9/28/2009: Letter from VH resident at 225 Alexandria expressing gratitude for outstanding professional emergency medical service.

9/30/2009: Thank you letter from Rep. Carol Sente for attending open house.

Intergovernmental Relations –

Vernon Hills – No Report

Lake County – No Report

Hawthorn Woods – I met with Pam Newton, COO for the Village. We discussed the missed opportunity for the District with the CN/Village negotiation. She stated that there may be some money available for CFPD. We agreed to foster a closer working relationship in the future. The adoption of residential sprinklers in HW was also discussed.

Mundelein – No Report

Long Grove – The Village has adopted the 2009 International building and fire codes.

Articles-

9/22/2009- Daily Herald: Flaming car ends up in Lake Zurich backyard (Lake Zurich ARA-CFPD engine responded)

9/24/2009 – Chicago Tribune: Pink Heals Tour rolls into town.

9/28/2009 – Chicago Community Life Examiner: Pink Heals Tour travels across country for breast cancer awareness.

9/28/2009 – Daily Herald: Lake County Briefs – Fire District Open House

Attorney's Report – John Kelly reported that there are multiple tax objections that have been filed seeking large percentage decreases in the building's value.

Motion made by Frank Wolowic to ratify Unison Contract (09-R-03), second by Bruce Brown and approved. Roll call vote – Brown-aye, Wolowic-aye and Hogan-aye.

Motion made by Frank Wolowic to approve to all staff to wear pink t-shirts on October 25, 26, and 27 in support of the Cancer Awareness & Relief Effort-CARE (09-R-04), second by Bruce Brown and approved.

Old Business-None

New Business-None

Remarks from the Floor-None

Motion made by Frank Wolowic and seconded by Bryan Hogan to start a closed executive session at 4:45 PM. A voice vote was taken; Wolowic-aye and Hogan-aye.

Motion made by Frank Wolowic and seconded by Bryan Hogan to adjourn a closed executive session at 5:05 PM. A voice vote was taken; Wolowic-aye and Hogan-aye.

Motion made by Frank Wolowic and seconded by Bryan Hogan to expand the staff by one Lieutenant's position and to proceed with promotion of Lt. Wodrich to Division Chief, the promotion of Firemedic Ogurek to Lieutenant and the hiring of a Firemedic as of January 1, 2010.

Bills – A motion to approved bills paid in the amount of \$595,945.15 (check numbers 5653-5753) by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bryan Hogan. Motion carried.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bruce Brown and approved. Meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Tim Kasper
Recording Secretary