



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

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

HELD January 21, 2010

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:45 PM by Frank Wolowic, President. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bryan Hogan, Chief Steingart and Ericka Thomas, attorney. Absent – Bruce Brown. Minutes of the December 17th meeting were reviewed, motion to approve, by Bryan Hogan, 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. In 2009, 3,810 calls were responded to which represents a decrease of 72 calls from 2008 levels. The 2009 estimated fire loss was \$135,380 which was significantly less than 2008's estimated fire loss of \$1,974,717.

Personnel

Firemedic Pete Wolowic was granted a duty disability pension by the Pension Board after a hearing that was held 1/4/10. Lt. Neubauer has submitted his letter announcing his retirement. His last shift will be March 12, 2010. It's a bittersweet time when a Firemedic with 30 years of experience retires. The District is in the process of advertising and accepting applications for the career Firemedic testing to establish an eligibility list. Firemedic Mike Raasch has been hired to fill a vacant career position. Nominations are out for the 2009 CFPD Employee of the Year.

Facilities

US Cellular has started construction on the antenna tower. Sprint / Clearwire has their permit and will be starting soon. We hope to close on both of these with Unison before the end of January.

Equipment

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 applied for residential sprinkler inspection campaign.

The District received a donation of \$9,300 from the James & Gail Manz Foundation for the purchase of recliners at both firehouses.

The District received a donation from the Lake Forest Hospital Foundation for \$16,000 for an AutoPulse CPR machine.



Vehicles

The surplus Ford Expedition is being advertised on the Illinois Fire Chiefs website with the lights, siren and radios.

Programs

Resolution 2010-R-01 is presented to transfer funds to balance ambulance and corporate accounts.

Insurance Services Office (ISO) Review -

We have been contacted by ISO to have a site survey/review in 2010. Staff will be planning for the review and has a preliminary meeting with the ISO field representative on February 1.

Other Information

Invitations have been sent for the Annual CFPD Employee Appreciation Dinner on February 20 at White Deer Run. Please RSVP to Nancy.

The 2010 Annual Strategic Planning and Leadership Meeting is scheduled for February 15 at 8:30 AM at Reed Turner Woods in Long Grove.

Compliance letter for the 2009 Accreditation was received.

Correspondence

12/04/2009: Thank you letter from YWCA Lake County for \$6,000 donation to the ENCOREPlus program. The money was raised by CFPD with the Pink Heels campaign.

01/12/2010: Thank you letter from Lake Forest FD for our response to a large house fire on Waukegan Road.

Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills – No Report
Lake County – No Report
Hawthorn Woods – No Report
Mundelein – No Report
Long Grove – No Report

Articles

12/19/2009 – Daily Herald: CFPD FF at Hartman Park (VH) Ice Rink Grand Opening
12/28/2009 – Daily Herald: Two car accident on Rt. 83 & Grosse Pointe.

Attorney's Report – Ericka Thomas had nothing to report.

Motion made by Bryan Hogan to approve the Resolution 2010-R-01 to transfer investment securities from the Ambulance to the Corporate Account at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, second by Frank Wolowic and approved.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Remarks from the Floor - None

Bills

A motion to approved bills paid in the amount of \$166,225.32 (check numbers 5987-6096) by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bryan Hogan and approved.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bryan Hogan and approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Tim Kasper
Recording Secretary