

# COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Chuck Smith, Chief

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## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT April 21, 2022

A meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 6:45pm at the Countryside Fire Protection District located at 600 N. Deerpath Drive, Vernon Hills, Illinois 60061, pursuant to notice.

**CALL TO ORDER**: Trustee Brown called the meeting to order at 6:56 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**:

PRESENT: Trustees Bruce Brown, Mike Davenport and Joe Kiriazes

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Smith, Deputy Chief Heinz, Deputy Chief Echtenacher, John

Kelly, Attorney

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**: The board reviewed the March 10, 2022 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Trustee Kiriazes and seconded by Trustee Davenport to approve the March 10, 2022 meeting minutes as written. Motion carried by voice vote.

**PRESIDENT REPORT** – The President along with the board gave special recognition to Chairman John Reindl on his retirement from the Countryside Fire Board of Commissioners after 30 years of service.

#### SECRETARY REPORT

#### TREASURER REPORT

#### **CHIEF REPORT:**

Department reports
Incident and Response report
Bureau report
Construction update

#### Finance report

The Board reviewed the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements along with the Accounts Payable detail.

#### Personnel

- Discussed preliminary budget review
- Injured reserve: 3 career injuries (2 light duty), 1 F/T FPB (light duty)



- 2 career Firemedics in week 2 of NIPSTA Academy
- 2 career Firemedics began shift
- 1 career Firemedic beginning April 25<sup>th</sup>
- All available career positions are filled, awaiting one possible opening due to disability pension

#### Recognition/Certifications

- Fire & Life Safety Director Tony Rodkey has been selected to receive the Fire and Life Safety Award presented by the Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal, May 10<sup>th</sup> in Springfield.
- Deputy Chief Echtenacher has provided a list of the month's certifications and recognitions for the membership.

#### Facilities

### Fire Stations

- HVAC project underway
- Roof bid to be opened tomorrow (4/22/2022)
- Received one bid for the electronic sign upgrade for Station 2. Recommend accepting the bid and moving forward with the project

#### Grants

- AFG Grant for radios pending. Starcom needs seem to be growing locally.
- SCBA Grant is out for bid through Lincolnshire. One bid received and anticipated to be from MES, sole source distributor of Scott air packs which was the most favored pack during demonstrations. Will need to amend SCBA budget to cover entire cost of project next month. Approx. cost \$115K (\$87K from previous budget)

#### Apparatus

- Purchase Agreement for new Pierce Enforcer (2024?). Selected from Sourcewell Consortium Cooperative Purchasing agreement which has already been bid. 100% prepay net 50 days for \$749,438
- Working on finalizing deal with Mundelein Public Works to service engines/ambulances at their public works facility. Long Grove is interested as well for better pricing. \$140/hour with 2% escalator
- Continued struggles with aging Ladder Tower. Administration developing capital plan for needed replacement.

#### Programs

• Regional 911 consolidation project update - IGA

#### Other Information

• Please complete Statement of Economic Interest Form and submit prior to 5/1/2022

#### Correspondence/Communications/Exhibits

• No report

#### Intergovernmental relations

**Vernon Hills** – Mayor Byrne update

**Lake County** – No update

**Hawthorn Woods** – No report

**Mundelein** – Working through Vehicle Maintenance IGA

**Long Grove** – No report

**Libertyville** – Chief Carani retiring

Other Agencies (ARA's) – Wauconda Chief Geary retiring

#### Retirements and Service Recognitions

• None

## Articles/Newspaper Clippings

• Daily Herald 3/26/2022 – Shaving it off for a cause: Hawthorn Mall St. Baldrick's event benefits childhood cancer research

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT**: John Kelly of Ottosen DiNolfo Hasenbalg & Castaldo, Ltd. provided his report including legislature updates.

**OLD BUSINESS**: None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Trustee Kiriazes and seconded by Trustee Davenport to recommend approval of proposed Personnel Salary Adjustments for FY 2022-23. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Brown, Davenport and Kiriazes

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

A motion was made by Trustee Davenport and seconded by Trustee Kiriazes to recommend approval of FY 2022-23 Preliminary Budget. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Brown, Davenport and Kiriazes

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

A motion was made by Trustee Kiriazes and seconded by Trustee Davenport to authorize the Fire Chief to execute the purchase agreement for a new Pierce Enforcer Pumper with Macqueen Emergency in the amount of \$749,438 using Sourcewell Consortium Bid Pricing. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Brown, Davenport and Kiriazes

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

A motion was made by Trustee Davenport and seconded by Trustee Kiriazes to award the Station 2 Outdoor Electronic Sign Bid to Parvin-Clauss Sign Company of Carol Stream in the amount of \$42,775. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Brown, Davenport and Kiriazes

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:** The bills were presented to the board. A motion was made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Davenport to ratify bills paid in the amount of \$352,987.70. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Brown, Davenport and Kiriazes

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Trustee Kiriazes seconded by Trustee Davenport to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by voice call vote.

Minutes prepared by Lisa Clausen, Finance Director, Countryside Fire Protection District