



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD March 17, 2016

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:33 PM by President Frank Wolowic. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Chief Steingart, Deputy Chief Smith and John Kelly, Attorney. Absent – Deputy Chief Heinz and Bryan Hogan. Minutes of the February 18, 2016 board meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Bruce Brown, second by Frank Wolowic. Motion carried.

Reports:

President – No report

Secretary – No report

Treasurer – No report

Election of Officers

None

Chief's Report

The regular monthly reports on Bureau activity, training certifications, response data and monthly financial activity were reviewed.

Personnel

Bruce Brown performed the Oath of Office Swearing in Ceremony for Deputy Chief Ed Heinz. His appointment was effective on March 7, 2016.

Bruce Brown performed the Oath of Office Swearing in Ceremony for Battalion Chief Ron Echtenacher. His promotion was effective on March 7, 2016.

Bruce Brown performed the Oath of Office Swearing in Ceremony for Lieutenant John Sherwood. His promotion was effective on March 7, 2016.

Bruce Brown performed the Oath of Office Swearing in Ceremony for Firemedic Lucas Nollin and Firemedic Andrew Katzner. Lucas Nollin's hiring was effective on January 4, 2016. Andrew Katzner's hiring was effective on March 7, 2016.

The Commissioners and staff have selected four new POP candidates that will start training in April.

Recognition / Certifications: Div. Chief Echtenacher has provided a list of the month's certifications and recognitions for the membership.



Facilities

Staff is working on sprucing up both stations this spring with our landscape contractor. Vernon Hills Public Works is also assisting us in identifying trees that need to be removed and replaced a station #2.

Weed Man Lawn Care will be providing weed and feed services at both stations at no charge as part of a community give back program.

Equipment

Grants – Staff has submitted the application for a 2015 FEMA Assistance to Firefighter Grant.

They will be applying for Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Grant for energy saving light fixtures and bulbs at both fire stations. It is valued at approximately \$25,000.

Apparatus & Equipment - Staff will start the process of exploring Ambulance replacement.

The 2010 Ford Explorer was in an accident on 2/22/16. The insurance company totaled the vehicle and paid out \$21,082.80.

Motion to authorize the Chief to purchase a 2016 Chevy Tahoe on the IL State purchase program through Miles Chevy in DeKalb for the total cost for vehicle and upfitting not to exceed \$50,000, was made by Frank Wolowic, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Brown-Aye and Wolowic-Aye

Programs

Mundelein Automatic Response Agreement (ARA) - The revised ARA intergovernmental agreement was on the Mundelein agenda for adoption on March 14, 2016. The payment schedule has been revised and the terms reflect current response operations.

Motion to adopt the revised Mundelein Automatic Response Agreement was made by Frank Wolowic, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Brown-Aye and Wolowic-Aye

Personnel are starting the FY 2016-17 budget preparation.

Other Information

Staff is putting the finishing touches on the 2015 Annual Report.

CFPD worked with the Vernon Hills Police, Park District and Secret Service to plan and stand-by for Presidential Candidate Hillary Clintons visit to Vernon Hills on March 10th.

The Chief attended the MABAS Command & Training Summit in Bloomington, IL. on February 22-24, 2016.

The Chief attended the Vernon Hills Joint Review Board meeting regarding the TIF district at RT 21 & 60

Correspondence

Thank you e-mail from firefighter for a day parent.

2/23/16: Thank you letter from Wauconda FPD for response to chlorine leak.

2/29/16: Thank you letter from VHPD for honoring officer during funeral procession.

Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills – Melody Farm - Rt. 21 & 60 TIF / Cuneo Pulte homes / Menards

Lake County – No Report

Hawthorn Woods – No Report

Mundelein – No Report

Long Grove – No Report

Libertyville – No Report

Lincolnshire-Riverwoods – No Report

Grayslake – No Report

ARTICLES / NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

3/8/2016: Vernon Hills Police Save Life Using Naloxone

Attorney's Report

John Kelly of Ottosen Britz Kelly Cooper Gilbert & DiNolfo, Ltd. reported on and discussed the following items:

No news on tax objections.

The Illinois General Assembly is not in session.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Bills

A motion to approve bills paid in the amount of \$248,258.23 (check numbers 16140 - 16222) by Bruce Brown, second by Frank Wolowic. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Brown-Aye and Wolowic-Aye

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Tim Kasper
Recording Secretary