



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD April 21, 2016

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:37 PM by President Frank Wolowic. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Bryan Hogan, Chief Steingart, Deputy Chief Smith and Ericka Thomas, Attorney. Absent – Deputy Chief Heinz. Minutes of the March 17, 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

No report

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

Facilities

Tree removal is done and replacement trees are in progress at station #2.

Additional landscaping upgrades are in also underway at both stations.

Equipment

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

Staff will be submitting the application for a 2015 FEMA Fire Prevention & Safety Grant for new LED display signs at each station.



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

The price is from the Northwest Municipal Conference Bid. Delivery will be about 300 days from the time ordered. Staff will be working on financing details.

Motion to authorize the Chief to execute a contract with Foster Coach Sales for a new ambulance, not to exceed \$230,000 was made by Bryan Hogan, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Brown-Aye, Wolowic-Aye and Hogan-aye

Programs

Tax Extension - The District has received its final tax extension numbers from Lake County for tax year 2015 that applies to the FY 2016-17 budget.

Personnel are starting the FY 2016-17 budget preparation.

Other Information

The Chief attended the Vernon Hills Public Hearing regarding the TIF district at Routes 21 & 60

The Chief attended the Fremont Township Annual Meeting.

The Chief attended a meeting with the President of Condell regarding planning for the EMS System.

Staff attended a meeting with all of the partners in the Vernon Hills Dispatch Center.

Public Educator Tony Rodkey was nominated and selected for the IL Chapter-National School Public Relations Association Award of Merit in the Community Member category. He was nominated by staff from High School District 128.

Correspondence

3/28/16: Thank you letter from Libertyville FD for response to house fire.

3/29/16: Thank you letter from VH Park District equipment and CPR program

4/12/2016: Thank you e-mail from resident for EMS service.

4/16/2016: Thank you e-mail from resident for EMS service.

4/18/2016: Thank you card from resident for EMS service.

Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills – Mellody 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

None

Attorney's Report

Ericka Thomas 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 in session.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Bills

A motion to approve bills paid in the amount of \$294,229.31 (check numbers 16223 - 16351) by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Brown-Aye, Wolowic-Aye and Hogan-aye

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Tim Kasper
Recording Secretary