

COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD March 16, 2017

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, Bryan Hogan, Chief Steingart, Deputy Chief Smith, Deputy Chief Heinz and Erika Thomas, Attorney. Absent – None. Minutes of the February 16, 2017 board meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Bryan Hogan, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried.

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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

Firemedic Dan McCormick is working through the career hire process for an anticipated start date of 4/1/2017. Along with a new career hire, a Battalion Chief and Lieutenant promotion will occur from the current eligibility list to fill the ranks that will be vacated with the retirement of Battalion Chief Garrity.

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

Facilities

The District has been contacted by Verizon to erect another antenna tower on the station #1 property. The proposed location is the northeast corner of the lot. We are waiting for corrected documents from Verizon on the proposed terms. UPDATE- There has not been any new correspondence from Verizon.



Grants

Staff has submitted and is awaiting word on the 2016 FEMA Assistance to Firefighter Grant application for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA).

The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Grant for energy saving light fixtures and bulbs at both fire stations has been approved. Still some outstanding work to done.

Apparatus & Equipment

The new ambulance has been ordered with delivery anticipated for April, 2017. A final inspection is scheduled for the last week in March, 2017.

The 2003 Pierce Engine has major frame rail corrosion and as a result is out of service. Staff continues to work with Pierce regarding repairs under warranty.

Programs

Budget preparation has begun for the 17-18 fiscal year.

Metro Revenue Sharing Contract

Staff has been working with Metro, our Insurance Company and the Attorney on a correction to the Metro Revenue Sharing related to vehicle insurance coverage. The Chief asks the Board to approve the 1st Amendment to the contract that addresses the wording for insurance coverages on District and Contractor owned vehicles. Motion made by Frank Wolowic, seconded by Bruce Brown.

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

Other Information

The Chief attended an IDPH hearing on Lake Forest Hospital's request to become a resource hospital.

Staff is working on the 2016 annual report.

The draft of the Lake County dispatch consolidation study is out for review and comments.

Correspondence

None

Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills – Mellody Farm - Rt. 21 & 60 TIF / Cuneo Pulte homes / Menards / Psych Hospital-Public Hearing scheduled for April.

Lake County – No Report

Hawthorn Woods – No Report

Mundelein – No Report

Long Grove – No Report

Libertyville – No Report

Other – No Report

ARTICLES / NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

None

Attorney's Report

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

No updates on property tax objections. Springfield's proposed legislation still has many bills of concern regarding property tax freezes.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

<u>Bills</u>

A motion to approve bills paid in the amount of \$192,931.80 (check numbers 17410 - 17494) by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Brown-Aye Wolowic-Aye and Hogan-Aye.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Chuck Smith Recording Secretary