



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD February 20, 2014

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:32 PM by Frank Wolowic, President. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Bryan Hogan, Chief Steingart, Deputy Chief Grant, and John Kelly, attorney. Absent – Deputy Chief Smith. Minutes of the January 16th board meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Bruce Brown, seconded by Bryan Hogan and approved.

Reports:

President – No report

Secretary – Trustee Training at NIAFPD

Treasurer – No report

Election of Officers

N/A

Chief's Report

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

Personnel

The Fire Commissioners are working on promotional and career testing to establish eligibility lists.

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

Facilities

Several roofs leaks are occurring at station #2. Staff is working with the roofing company to have repairs made under warranty. Some water damage did occur in the public hallway. Repairs were made.

Equipment

Grants - 2013 FEMA AFG grant applications for a command van and cardiac monitor/defibrillators is pending.



Apparatus & Equipment - We have received the John Deere gator from Libertyville Fire. It is being painted red and having some safety modifications done.

Programs

Retirement Healthcare Funding Plan - Staff is looking in to options for Retirement Healthcare Funding Plan (RHFP) for members.

Other Information

The Chief attended a Lake County Leaders Summit led by the County Board Chairman.

The Chiefs met with Congressional candidate Bob Dold to discuss issues related to the fire service.

The Chief will be in Champaign February 26-27 for a statewide disaster exercise.

Correspondence

02/11/14: Thank you letter from Lake Forest Fire Dept. for response to structure fire.

Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills – No Report

Lake County – No Report

Hawthorn Woods – Public Hearings: Hawthorn Hills Development / Pulte Homes

Mundelein – No Report

Long Grove –Station #3 property drain tile repair – Revisit in spring.

Libertyville – No Report

Other – No Report

ARTICLES / NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

01/21/14: Lincolnshire Review – Fire destroys home in unincorporated Lake County, occupant injured.

01/24/14: Lake County News-Sun – Three-alarm blaze destroys Wadsworth home.

01/31/14: Daily Herald – Vernon Hills students get creative to promote fire safety.

02/01/14: Lake County News-Sun – Students perform skits to share fire safety tips.

02/06/14: Vernon Hills Review – Hawthorn students get dramatic about fire safety.

Attorney's Report

John Kelly of Ottosen Britz reported on and discussed the following items:

Motion made by Frank Wolowic to adopt the intergovernmental agreement with Lake Zurich for back-up dispatch services, second by Bruce Brown and approved.

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

The filing season for tax objections has closed.

There are three to five thousand bills in committee. There are numerous shell bills available for potential legislation.

Several Illinois cities are under the threat of legal action action by the Department of Justice for discrimination during the testing process. The issue centers around utilizing the median during scoring and construction of the hiring eligibily list.

Old Business – None

New Business - None

Bills

A motion to approved bills paid in the amount of \$360,824.04 (check numbers 13363 – 13509) by Bryan Hogan, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Tim Kasper
Recording Secretary