

COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD April 16, 2015

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:40 PM by President Frank Wolowic. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Bryan Hogan, Chief Steingart, Deputy Chief Grant, Deputy Chief Smith and Erica Thomas, Attorney. Minutes of the March 19, 2015 board meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Bryan Hogan, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried.

Reports:

President – Toured the new theater complex. Visited dispatch in honor of Telecommunicators Week.

Secretary – Renewed CPR and AED certifications. Also visited dispatch to thank the telecommunicators for their work.

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

Staff is working on the POP hiring process for 2015. 10 applicants will be interviewed Saturday.

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

Facilities

We are looking into parking lot repairs for Station 1.

Equipment

Grants – The 2014 FEMA AFG grant application has been submitted for cardiac monitors and fire training props. Announcements are supposed to start in soon.

A 2015 Fire Prevention grant has been submitted for a smoke detector installation program targeting low income, seniors and English learning residents.



New turnout gear has been ordered with delivery anticipated in two months.

The new command vehicle and pick-up truck are due to arrive mid-May.

The Chief requested the Board declare the 2006 Ford Explorer (4180) and 2003 Chevrolet van (Bat41) as surplus with permission to dispose of them in the best interest of the District.

Motion by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan to declare two vehicles as surplus. Motion carried.

Programs

Staff is working on FY 2015/16 budget preparation. A draft budget should be presented to the Board in May with adoption in July.

Other Information

The Chief attended the Fire Service Legislative Day in Springfield on March 25.

The 2014 annual report in a new format is almost complete.

Chief stated that Trustee Brown is up for reappointment this year.

The District will be filing all transparency documents with the County.

The Chief responded to the tornado damaged area near Rockford as part of the State IMT.

Correspondence

03/24/2015- Thank you letter from Fremont School for our response to a bus crash.

Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills – No Report
Lake County – No Report
Hawthorn Woods – No Report
Mundelein – CFPD assisted MFD at three structure fires.
Long Grove – No Report
Libertyville – Working on updated automatic response agreement.
Lincolnshire-Riverwoods – No Report

Attorney's Report

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

Nothing new on tax objections.

An update on legislative issues in Springfield. New session starts soon.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Remarks from the floor- DC Grant announced a variety show with middle school students performing fire safety sketches will be held on May 8^{th} at the Sullivan Center.

Executive session- Not needed

Bills

A motion to approve bills paid in the amount of \$ 307,317.70 (check numbers 14974-15092) by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan. Roll call vote: Bruce Brown-aye, Bryan Hogan-aye, Frank Wolowic-aye. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Ron Grant Recording Secretary