



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD MARCH 19, 2015

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:30 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 John Kelly, Attorney. Minutes of the February 19, 2015 board meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan. 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

Staff is working on the POP hiring process for 2015. Orientation was last 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 April.

Deputy Chief Smith gave a review of the bid process for replacing turnout gear. The District has received two bids for the replacement of all turnout gear financed over 5 years. The Chief requested the Board to authorize the Fire Chief to execute purchase and lease documents with the Illinois Fire Store and Commerce Bank in the amount of \$181,125. Motion by Bryan Hogan, second by Bruce Brown to pass



Resolution 15-R-01, Schedule E To Lease/Purchase Agreement, Lease #1001326-001. Roll call vote: Bryan Hogan-aye, Bruce Brown-aye, Frank Wolowic-aye. Motion carried 3-0.

Chief reported that the District has received a proposal with government pricing for the replacement of the battalion chiefs / incident command vehicle and a pick-up truck with snow plow to replace a 2008 Ford Explorer. Purchase price would be \$ 77,630. Motion by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan to authorize the Fire Chief to execute documents for the purchase of these vehicles as budgeted. Roll call vote: Bruce Brown-aye, Bryan Hogan-aye, Frank Wolowic-aye. Motion carried 3-0.

Programs

Chief Steingart asked that President Wolowic appoint D/C Chuck Smith to the Countryside Firefighters' Pension Fund to replace Chief Steingart. Motion by Bruce Brown, second by Bryan Hogan to appoint Chuck Smith to the Countryside Firefighters Pension Board. Motion carried.

Staff has begun FY 2015/16 budget preparation.

Finance Director Kasper is requesting Board approval to transfer funds (Oppenheimer cash and securities) from the insurance account to the corporate account in the amount of approximately \$118,629. The insurance account will be closed. This corporate fund is intended to be used for capital reserve programs. Motion by Bryan Hogan, second by Bruce Brown to approve the transfer of funds as stated. Roll call vote: Bryan Hogan-aye, Bruce Brown-aye, Frank Wolowic-aye. Motion carried 3-0.

Other Information

The Chief will be attending Fire Service Legislative Day in Springfield on March 25.

Staff is working on the 2014 annual report in a new format.

We have received \$200,000 contribution for construction project from Westfield Hawthorn Mall.

Correspondence

02/26/2015- Thank you letter from Wauconda FD for responding to their house explosion and fire.

Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills – No Report
Lake County – No Report
Hawthorn Woods – No Report
Mundelein – No Report
Long Grove – No Report
Libertyville – No Report
Lincolnshire-Riverwoods – No Report

Attorney's Report

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

Nothing new on tax objections.

Mr. Kelly gave an update on legislative issues in Springfield.
Fire Marshal McNally gave an update on a new house that started building without sprinklers as required by ordinance.

Old Business - None

New Business – None

Executive session- Not needed

Bills

A motion to approve bills paid in the amount of \$ 232,854.56 (check numbers 14872-14973) 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