



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST.

HELD August 20, 2015

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The meeting of the Countryside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:02 PM by President Frank Wolowic. Roll call indicated those present: Frank Wolowic, Bruce Brown, Chief Steingart, Deputy Chief Grant, and John Kelly, Attorney. Absent – Bryan Hogan and Deputy Chief Smith. Minutes of the July 16, 2015 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

Personnel: Congratulations to Fire Marshal Mike McNally on his retirement.

Chief Steingart performed the Oath of Office Swearing in Ceremony for Firemedic Ben Mosko.

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



Facilities

Motion to accept monument at station #1 as shown by Tyler Hershenhouse of Troop 95 (Vernon Hills) for his Eagle Scout Project was made by Bruce Brown, second by Frank Wolowic. Motion carried.

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

Grants

Grants – 2014 FEMA AFG grant application pending: submitted for cardiac monitor defibrillators and fire training props. Awaiting notification.

Apparatus & Equipment

The new battalion chief / incident command vehicle and a pick-up truck are in service.

Staff has decided to put the ambulance replacement on hold in light of the potential for a property tax freeze.

PROGRAMS

Automatic Response Agreement #15-I-05 - D/C Smith has been working on an ARA with Buffalo Grove for the Herons Landing Subdivision in Long Grove. Adoption was put on hold until BGFDD provides new draft copies.

Other Information

Fire Marshal McNally's walk-out ceremony will be held on September 4th at station #2 at 2:00 PM.

Correspondence

07/11/2015 – Thank you letter from Newport FPD for response to structure fire.

07/11/2015 – Thank you letter from Partners for Progress for Firefighter for a Day donation.

07/20/2015 – Thank you letter from Barrington FD for response to hazardous materials incident.

07/20/2015 – Thank you letter from Mundelein FD for participation in 100th anniversary parade.

Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills –

Development of NE corner of Rt. 21 & 60

Little Bear Ribfest- August 21 & 22

Lake County – No Report

Hawthorn Woods – No Report

Mundelein – Police Chief has been appointed Public Safety Director.

Long Grove – No report

Libertyville – No Report

Other – No Report

ARTICLES / NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

07/23/2015: Vernon Hills Review – Sinkhole causes road to collapse in Long Grove

08/11/2015: Daily Herald – Embers may have caused Mundelein-area house fire

Attorney's Report

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

2011 Tax Objection for \$21,650 was heard today with the offer at 40%.

The Illinois Senate has passed a property tax freeze bill and has sent it to Illinois House for discussion. The freeze would be in place for fiscal year 2016 and 2017 and contains a public safety exemption as currently interpreted.

Old Business - None

New Business – None

Remarks from the floor – Deputy Chief Grant has stated that the District is looking to change vendors or have an early renewal for as follows: Property and casualty Insurance, workers compensation Insurance, health Insurance and third party information technology.

Bills

A motion to approve bills paid in the amount of \$237,328.56 (check numbers 15423-15523) by Bruce Brown, second by Frank Wolowic.

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

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Frank Wolowic, second by Bruce Brown. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Tim Kasper
Recording Secretary