



# COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

JEFF STEINGART, CHIEF

FRANCIS L. WOLOWIC, PRESIDENT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DIST. HELD November 15, 2018

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, Chief Steingart, Deputy Chief Smith, Deputy Chief Heinz and John Kelly, Attorney. Absent – Bryan Hogan. Minutes of the October 18, 2018 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

Bruce Brown performed the Oath of Office Swearing in Ceremony for Firemedics Josh Shaw, Jake Smith, Trevor Echtenacher, and Damian Pedersen.

We are in the process of taking on new part-time/paid-on-premise members.

Applications are available for Career testing to create a revised eligibility list.

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

### Facilities

Work is near completion on the station alerting systems that are tied to the County computer aided dispatch system.



## Grants

The 2018 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant application is open. We have applied for radios.

The 2018 FEMA Fire Prevention & Safety Grant application will be open soon. Staff will be evaluating what is best to apply for.

CFPD received \$42,259.25 in Foreign Fire Insurance Tax. This is a significant increase from the past receipts.

## Apparatus & Equipment

The new Pierce engine is ordered; prints are being reviewed with an expected delivery date of February, 2019.

## Programs

### Insurance Renewals

Motion made by Frank Wolowic, second by Bruce Brown to authorize the Chief to renew our Medical, Vision and Dental insurance policies as presented by Corrigan Financial Services. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Brown-Aye and Wolowic-Aye

## Audit

The FY 2017-18 draft audit is in for review and will be presented at the December meeting by the auditor.

## Other Information

Staff attended an operations and policy committee meetings regarding dispatch consolidation in Lake County.

## Correspondence

11/06/2018 – Thank you letter from the Wauconda FPD for providing a stand-by crew for their appreciation dinner.

11/07/2018 – Thank you letter from Libertyville FD for response to a structure fire.

## Intergovernmental Relations

Vernon Hills – ALDI / Hawthorn Mall

Lake County – Roadster Shop in Ivanhoe is planning a large addition.

Hawthorn Woods – High Pointe Estates Subdivision at RT 176

Mundelein – No Report

Long Grove – No Report

Other Agencies (ARA's) – Lake County resources were requested twice to respond to the hurricanes on the east coast, however never deployed.

## ARTICLES / NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

10/24/2018: Vernon Hills Review- Garbage truck dumps burning trash on Aspen Drive in Vernon Hills

NOV 2018: IPRF Issues: Public Education Coordinator Tony Rodkey featured in article for teaching kids the importance of fire sprinklers.

## Attorney's Report

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

No update on the lawsuit filed against The Greater Round Lake Fire Protection District and responding departments for a fatal fire that occurred on August 4, 2017.

Veto session in Springfield is expected to be quiet due to the turnover of seats from the November 6, 2018 election.

Presented Ordinance # 2018-O-12: Ordinance Levying and Assessing Taxes for CFPD for 2018 for adoption by the Board. Chief Steingart noted that the increase is less than 5% so we do not have to post a Truth in Taxation notice. Motion by Bruce Brown, second by Frank Wolowic.

Roll Call Vote: Brown-Aye and Wolowic-Aye

## Old Business

None

## New Business

None

## Bills

A motion to approve bills paid in the amount of \$331,839.65 (check numbers 19290 - 19382) by Bruce Brown, second by Frank Wolowic. Motion carried.

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 8:28 PM.

Tim Kasper  
Recording Secretary