

Regular Meeting
June 16, 2009

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Trustee Klage at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Members Present: President Mark Klage, Secretary Phillip Saas, Treasurer Dan Keck, Trustee Jeffrey Lockard, Trustee Jenny Saylor.

Also Present: Chief Phillip A. DiMenza, Deputy Chief Bryan J. Lewis and Attorney Bernie K. Weiler.

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 5/19/09 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no questions or corrections, Trustee Lockard made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: None.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Keck reviewed the Treasurer's Report for May. As of 5/31/09, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$471,833.95. After deposits of \$42,218.60, disbursements of \$244,127.05, the ending balance for those accounts was \$269,925.50. The combined balance of the Capital Projects Fund and Equipment Fund, including CD's, was \$1,683,287.95, giving a total of all funds of \$1,953,213.45. There being no questions, Trustee Saas made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor.

Chief's Report: Chief DiMenza informed the Board that the funds for the fire engine purchase were sent to Pierce Manufacturing.

In addition, Chief DiMenza stated that the first 2 installments of property taxes levied were received, amounting to a little over \$800,000.00.

The District received another award from IRMA for \$1,500 with a plaque for continued excellence in worker's compensation and liability claims over the last year.

With regard to grants, Chief DiMenza spoke about a professional grant writer that he used to assist with the preparation of the FEMA grant for a new mini-pumper. In addition, he informed the Board about a stimulus package involving a firehouse re-building grant. He stated that there are 50-100 grants being awarded, and he would like to apply for that grant to renovate Station #2.

Deputy Chief's Report: None.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Weiler presented an Agreed Order of Dismissal dated June 9, 2009 with regard to the land condemnation action. As per the Order, Chief DiMenza and Treasurer Keck are to go to the bank to make a wire transfer of \$275,000 to the Bank of America by the 14th day after the entry of the Order.

Old Business: None.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for May. There being no discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor.

New Business: Prevailing Wage Rate Ordinance No. 275 was discussed, where Deputy Chief Lewis explained the purpose of the ordinance to the new Board Members. After discussion, Attorney Weiler further clarified the subject of public contracts and how the prevailing wage rate ordinance relates to that. Trustees Saas, Keck and Lockard were not in agreement with adopting the ordinance and asked Attorney Weiler to review the statutes to determine its necessity. Until then, Ordinance No. 275 was tabled until the July meeting.

Deputy Chief Lewis discussed his memorandum regarding the purchase of office furniture and lockers to better accommodate the new full-time employees being hired. Given the quality of the office furniture provided by Affordable Office Interiors for the administration office and the fact that they were also the lowest bid, he requested Board authorization to contract with Affordable Office Interiors to provide the furniture and lockers at a cost of \$24,872.00. After discussion, Trustee Saas moved to approve the purchase as requested, seconded by Trustee Saylor. Trustee Keck abstained. All in favor by roll call vote.

Payment of Bills: The Bill List for June was presented reflecting a total of \$55,475.64. There being no questions, Trustee Saas made a motion to pay the bills as listed, seconded by President Klage. All in favor.

Other Business: Trustee Lockard discussed the recent baby abandonment in Wheaton. The Board all agreed that they would like the Safe Haven policy advertised more thoroughly to help get the information out to the public.

There being nothing further for open session, President Klage made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor. The meeting was moved to Executive Session at 8:30 p.m.

Mark Klage, President

Janet L. Lewis, Recording Secretary