

Regular Meeting  
July 21, 2009

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Keck at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Trustee Keck asked that the minutes reflect that a quorum has been established. Trustee Saylor then made a motion to allow President Klage to participate in the meeting via telephone, seconded by Trustee Lockard. All in favor.

Members Present: President Mark Klage (via telephone conference call), Treasurer Dan Keck, Trustee Jeffrey Lockard, and Trustee Jenny Saylor. Absent: Secretary Phillip Saas.

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

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 6/16/09 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no questions or corrections, Trustee Saylor made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Lockard. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: None.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Keck reviewed the Treasurer's Report for June. As of 6/30/09, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$269,925.50. After deposits of \$948,134.54, disbursements of \$179,945.42, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,038,114.62. The combined balance of the Capital Projects Fund and Equipment Fund, including CD's, was \$884,518.51, giving a total of all funds of \$1,922,633.13. There being no questions, Trustee Lockard 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 as the First Vice President of the Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association, he has been receiving ongoing legislative updates as they pertain to the fire service. In addition, he distributed a list of the legislative updates that are currently pending. Chief DiMenza also informed the Board that there will be a mandatory frequency update for the year 2013 with regard to all of the pagers within the department, and he is taking steps to be in compliance with that requirement in a timely fashion.

The Highlake Homeowners Association approached the Fire District about BBQ grills on their wood balconies, so Chief DiMenza drafted a letter providing written recommendations on that issue.

Chief DiMenza met with the Winfield Chamber of Commerce to discuss the Good-Old-Days tents and rides with regard to placement and inspection. In addition, funds for the engine have been transferred to Pierce Manufacturing. He spoke with Pierce Manufacturing regarding the engine print review and the performance bond. He also met with representatives of Central DuPage Hospital to discuss valet parking in the east circle.

Trustee Keck, Deputy Chief Lewis and Chief DiMenza attended the Illinois Association of Fire Protection District conference.

A stand-by ambulance was provided for the criterium bike race on Sunday; however, there were no transports necessary.

The Muscular Dystrophy Association attended the Winfield Volunteer Fire Company meeting with a couple of families who have been stricken with this disease, and they asked for volunteers to conduct a "Fill the Boot" drive on August 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Winfield Volunteer Fire Company golf outing raised close to \$5,000, which will be split 50/50 with IFSA Burn Camp. The Illinois Fire Chiefs Association golf outing raised over \$50,000, which proceeds go towards educational scholarships within the fire service.

Chief DiMenza then asked for Board approval to donate the old computer towers, which have been replaced, to a needy organization. The Board agreed with that suggestion.

In August, Chief DiMenza would like to have Lt. Evans give a brief presentation of fire statistics. Then in September, Lt. Formento will speak on the training program, etc.

Deputy Chief's Report: Deputy Chief Lewis stated that he and Chief DiMenza have a meeting with Central DuPage Hospital regarding the helicopter pad and the District's agreement with Air Angels to provide transport service from the helicopter pad to the hospital. Since Air Angels is no longer in business, the Chiefs would like to have a similar agreement with the other medical helicopter service providers to charge \$450.00 per transport from the helicopter to the hospital.

Oral interviews for full-time firefighters are scheduled for Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, and there are 18 candidates. If everything stays on schedule, October 1, 2009 would be the target start date for the two new candidates.

Deputy Chief Lewis was contacted by a fire department in Missouri regarding possibly purchasing the Mack Fire Engine as a back-up engine for their department. He was also contacted by a company that installs cell phone towers for Verizon and would like to discuss the possibility of putting a cell phone tower on one of the fire stations, where the Fire District would receive a monthly fee. After discussion, the board agreed to have Deputy Chief Lewis obtain further information but that the cell phone tower company would need to obtain the appropriate authorization from the Village prior to the Fire District entering into any agreement with them.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Weiler discussed the Prevailing Wage Rate Ordinance, stating that although the Fire District does not need to adopt the prevailing wages from the Illinois Department of Labor, it does need to adopt some type of prevailing wages. So if the Board decided to adopt their own prevailing wages, it would have to be based on somebody doing the research to determine exactly what those prevailing wages should be. Since the Chief is entertaining bids to re-roof Station #1, Attorney Weiler stated that the District cannot do that until the District adopts an ordinance. After discussion, Trustee Saylor made a motion to adopt Prevailing Wage Rate Ordinance #275, seconded by Trustee Lockard. All in favor.

Old Business: None.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for June as well as a comment card. There being no discussion, Trustee Saylor made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Lockard. All in favor.

New Business: Chief DiMenza asked that the memorandum regarding the purchase of physical fitness equipment be removed from the agenda until further notice.

President Klage prepared a handout regarding some committee recommendations for the Board to take a look at over the next month to see about getting the trustees more involved in other aspects of the District and in the community. He stated that the Fire Department itself has many of these committees already in place interdepartmentally, but he thought it would be a good idea to have a Board Member work with those committees as well. Attorney Weiler just reminded the Board that if there are more than two Board Members serving on any committee at the same time, a notice would have to be posted 48 hours in advance.

Chief DiMenza brought to the meeting the plaque that was awarded to the Fire District from IRMA for having no worker's compensation or liability claims during the last year. That plaque was accompanied by a \$1,500.00 check. Since the IRMA office is in the same building as Trustee Keck's office, Trustee Keck accepted the plaque and check with Chief DiMenza. Attorney Weiler stated that this is a huge accomplishment on behalf of the District and all of its members.

Payment of Bills: The Bill List for July was presented reflecting a total of \$79,850.36. There being no questions, Trustee Saylor made a motion to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Trustee Lockard. All in favor.

Other Business: Trustee Keck read a statement from the Board into the record, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

There being nothing further, Trustee Lockard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

---

Dan Keck, President Pro Tem

---

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary