Regular Meeting January 15, 2008

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Saas at 7:35 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

<u>Members Present</u>: President Phillip J. Saas, Secretary George T. Kallas, Trustee Gary L. Muehlfelt, Trustee William R. Thar and Trustee Mark Klage.

Also Present: Chief Phillip A. DiMenza and Attorney Bernie K. Weiler.

<u>Minutes</u>: The minutes of the Public Hearing of 12/18/07 and the Regular Meeting of 12/18/07 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no corrections to either, Trustee Kallas made a motion to approve both sets of minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Thar. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: None.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Treasurer Harris reviewed his report for December. The beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$1,193,051.28. After deposits of \$35,392.48 and disbursements of \$136,462.84, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,091,980.92. The balance for the certificates of deposit as of 12/31/07 was \$1,480,569.87. There being no questions, Trustee Klage made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Muehlfelt. All in favor.

<u>Chief's Report</u>: Chief DiMenza reminded the Board about the free pancake breakfast that will be held at the Fire Station on Saturday, February 2nd from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00. He encouraged all of the Trustees to attend so that the public could meet them and get questions answered, etc. There will be fire prevention material and fire helmets to distribute to children who attend.

<u>Deputy Chief's Report</u>: Deputy Chief Lewis recapped the events of the 1st pizza delivery night, stating that not only was it a tremendous success, but that one of the residents ordering a pizza happened to be a CBS news correspondent. She contacted her camera crew, had the fire engine followed by the camera crew and had a story on CBS news. There are two more pizza delivery nights scheduled with the remaining two pizza restaurants in town. Deputy Chief Lewis thanked the Winfield Volunteer Fire Company for donating the funds for any pizzas that were given, and First Alert donated all of the smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

<u>Attorney's Report</u>: Attorney Weiler stated that the Court has determined it would like to conduct a pretrial to the condemnation case, and it will be conducted in mid-March. The Board will be receiving a notice with all of the details on it in the next few days.

Old Business: None.

<u>Consent Agenda</u>: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for December. Trustee Kallas made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Klage. All in favor.

New Business: President Saas stated that it was brought to his attention that the Annual Treasurer's Report that was published and filed for fiscal year 2004/2005 had figures that were apparently duplicated from 2003/2004. Since those figures are acquired from the District computer system, it was obviously an error in the date range used while compiling the report. Since Kevin Pearson is no longer the Treasurer of the District, President Saas made a motion that the Board authorize him to sign an amended report to be filed with the County. That motion was seconded by Trustee Klage. All in favor.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>: The monthly bill list for December was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$121,556.40. There being no questions, Trustee Thar made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Kallas. All in favor.

Other Business: Comment cards were received and read into the record.

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Trustee Kallas asked if anyone had contacted the Village to see about re-zoning Station #2 for possible sale. Deputy Chief Lewis stated that that the Village's position is that they will not rezone that property for anything but retail sales. Otherwise, they are not interested in re-zoning it from its current special use permit. Trustee Kallas would just like to see the Board investigate possible buyers, look into selling some of the equipment and put some of that money back into the District coffers. He suggested letting the Village know about our interest in possibly selling the property so that if they hear of a potential buyer, they can send them our way. Treasurer Harris suggested finding a broker to assist in locating a buyer.

Deputy Chief Lewis then stated that upon the formation of the TIF district, he was asked to be on the committee. However, since that time, there have been no meetings held. He asked Pam from the Village of Winfield to schedule a TIF meeting so that the Fire District can be brought up to speed.

Attorney Weiler had nothing for Executive Session, so Trustee Muehlfelt made a motion to
adjourn, seconded by Trustee Klage. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary