Regular Meeting March 20, 2012

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Klage at 7:37 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

<u>Members Present</u>: President Mark Klage, Secretary Phillip Saas, Treasurer Dan Keck, and Trustee Jeffrey Lockard. Absent: Trustee Jenny Saylor.

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

<u>Minutes</u>: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 2/21/12 were distributed prior to the meeting. Trustee Lockard made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Keck. All in favor. The minutes of the 2/21/12 Executive Session were also reviewed by the Board. There being no changes, Trustee Saas made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Lockard. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: None.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Treasurer Keck reviewed the Treasurer's Report for February. As of 2/29/12, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$763,740.09. After deposits of \$25,397.37 and disbursements of \$150,228.39, the ending balance for those accounts was \$638,909.07. The combined balance of the Capital Projects Fund and Equipment Fund, including CD's, was \$1,401,687.75 (\$979,223.05 for Capital Projects and \$422,464.70 for Equipment Fund), giving a total of all funds of \$2,040,596.82. There being no further questions, Trustee Saas made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Lockard. All in favor.

<u>Chief's Report</u>: Chief DiMenza stated that the Alliance has been live since February 27th, and aside from a few glitches, it has been going very well. He summarized the events of a recent structure fire that occurred on March 17th, explaining how the Alliance worked on that scene.

Deputy Chief's Report: None.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Weiler discussed a recent tax objection that has been filed with the County Treasurer, explained how that would impact the District if sustained, and what steps are being taken to argue the objection.

Old Business: With regard to the Strategic Plan, Chief DiMenza and Robin Youngberg gave a summary of the Public Relations Committee to the Board, Trustee Keck reviewed the discussions of the Response Time Committee, and Trustee Lockard summarized the discussions of the Employee Development Committee. The Public Relations Committee is planning a pancake breakfast in April. The Employee Development Committee had its first meeting and began laying some ground work. The Response Time Committee spent most of the time trying to figure out what the objective was, and it really came down to funding, meaning that any avenue taken to significantly reduce response times would require a certain amount of funding that is not currently available. Trustee Keck prepared a letter with an enclosed response survey postcard for Board review that he would like to consider mailing to approximately 1,000 residents, randomly selected from each voting district, to determine how they feel about the District's financial situation and whether or not they would support the addressing the financial needs of the District. After discussion, Trustee Saas made a

motion to support the mailing of the letter and survey postcard, seconded by Trustee Lockard. All in favor.

Trustee Keck also stated that the administration brought in an architect to look at renovating this station, because if it turns out that the District is going to be in its current location for a long time, modifications to the station need to be made. The architect is also going to supply some preliminary information on a possible new station and space requirements as well.

<u>Consent Agenda</u>: The Consent Agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for February and a Thank You letter. Trustee Saas made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Keck. All in favor.

New Business: None.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>: The Bill List for February was presented reflecting a total of \$21,382.34. Trustee Saas made a motion to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Trustee Keck. All in favor.

Other Business: None.

There being no further discussion, Trustee Lockard made a motion to recess to Executive Session to discuss possible land acquisition -5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), and to review previous Executive Session minutes, seconded by Trustee Keck. All in favor. The meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 8:55 p.m.

(Executive Session)

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:45 p.m. Trustee Keck made a motion that the minutes of Executive Sessions for 8/21/07, 6/15/10, 9/21/10, 4/19/11 and 6/21/11 be released into the public records of the District and be made available for public inspection pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and the recordkeeping policies of the District, and the minutes of the Executive Session meetings for 7/20/04, 3/3/08, 7/15/08, 8/16/11, 10/18/11 and 2/21/12 remain sealed and kept out of the purview of public inspection. That motion was seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor.

There being no further business, Trustee Loc	kard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee
Saas. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.r.	n.
Mark Klage, President	Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary