## Regular Meeting April 15, 2014

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Klage at 7:36 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, Trustee Cliff Mortenson and 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 3/18/14 were distributed prior to the meeting. Trustee Saas made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Trustee Keck. All in favor.

## Remarks From Floor: None.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Keck provided the Treasurer's Report for 3/31/14 in advance of the meeting. As of 3/31/14, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$877,741.53. After deposits of \$88,602.90 and disbursements of \$180,852.53, the ending balance for those accounts was \$785,491.90. The combined balance of the Capital Projects Fund and Equipment Fund, including CD's, was \$1,141,982.48 (\$558,301.03 for Capital Projects and \$583,681.45 for Equipment Fund), giving a total of all funds of \$1,927,474.38. There being no further discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor. Treasurer Keck also spoke about meeting with Sawyer-Falduto Asset Management, who also manages the Winfield Fire Pension Fund to discuss making some possible changes to the investment portfolio of the District. He distributed a sample report from Sawyer-Falduto and discussed their investment return as well as their fees. Treasurer Keck's suggestion was to speak with Winfield Community Bank first to see if they can match what Sawyer-Falduto is offering, and if not, perhaps move some of the District funds to Sawyer-Falduto. Attorney Weiler stated that as long as the funds are collateralized, it should be fine if the Board decided to do that. He will look at the Treasurer's Act to see if there is any tolerance for loss of any kind or if there has to be a guarantee that at least the initial investment has to be 100% returned. Treasurer Keck will speak with Winfield Community Bank and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

<u>Chiefs' Reports</u>: Chief DiMenza informed the Board two of the three new full-time firefighters are ready to start in May, but the search continues for the third candidate. Both of the new firefighters have been fit for uniforms and turnout gear.

Chief DiMenza was also invited to attend a DuPage County Fire District Trustees meeting where County Board Member Grasso gave a presentation. Trustee Keck elaborated on that meeting and what was discussed with respect to a map that was created dividing the County into quadrants along with an organizational structure for those quadrants, and he explained some of the proposed operations that were discussed. He stated that Brian Tegtmeyer, Executive Director of DuComm, was in attendance as well and spoke about the DuComm Board of Directors being presented with a proposal that the Executive Committee was working on to move forward with a second dispatch center for DuComm.

## Attorney's Report: None.

<u>Old Business</u>: With regard to the Strategic Plan, Trustee Keck stated that the Response Time Committee met and decided that the approach to take is to really solidify a hard set of numbers, get that information put together with statistics and start disseminating it to the public. Once that information is available, he will bring it back to the Board to determine which approach to take and begin hosting meetings with the public.

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

<u>New Business</u>: Trustee Saas made a motion to reappoint DC Lewis to the Pension Board, seconded by Trustee Mortenson. All in favor.

After discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to reappoint Chris Levan to the Board of Fire Commissioners, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor.

Trustee Keck made a motion to adopt Ordinance #303, Providing for Transfer/Reconciliation of Funds Within the Appropriation Ordinance, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor by roll call vote.

Having been previously discussed at the Public Hearing, Trustee Saas made a motion to adopt Ordinance #304 Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2014/2015, seconded by Trustee Mortenson. All in favor by roll call vote.

The Bloomingdale Fire Protection District has requested membership into the West Suburban Fire/Rescue Alliance, and according to the Alliance By-Laws, the governing body of each member organization has to agree to that request. Trustee Saas made a motion to allow Bloomingdale Fire Protection District to join the WSFRA, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor by roll call vote.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>: The Bill List for April was presented reflecting a total of \$178,736.27. Trustee Saas made a motion to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Trustee Mortenson. All in favor.

<u>Other Business</u>: President Klage informed the Board that he was approached by President Dave Janis of the West Chicago Fire Protection District Board of Trustees asking if the Winfield Fire Protection District Board of Trustees would be interested in having a meeting, get to know one another, and see how each District could help the other in a cooperative effort. Although the Board felt that the Alliance was already accomplishing that goal, Trustee Saas suggested that perhaps a representative of each board could meet and figure out what the intent is behind this request. Trustee Keck felt that perhaps a couple of members of each Board could meet in the spirit of cooperation and getting to know each other better, and eventually reach out to other neighboring districts for the same purpose as long as that truly the spirit of the meeting. The Board agreed that they would definitely not be interested in being part of a meeting similar to what was held recently between West Chicago and Carol Stream Fire Protection Districts. Trustee Saylor asked Attorney Weiler about the status of the fire alarm issue, and he stated that a determination is very close to being made in the U.S. District Court and he hoped to have more information next month.

There being no further discussion for open session, Trustee Mortenson made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Personnel, Salaries and/or Discipline - 5 ILSC 120/2(c)(1), seconded by Trustee Keck. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

Mark Klage, President

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary