

Regular Meeting
February 17, 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 Thomas Duhig, Trustee Gary Muehlfelt, and Trustee William Thar and Treasurer Beeson (via telephone).

Also Present: Chief Phillip A. DiMenza.

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 1/20/09 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no questions or corrections, Trustee Thar made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Muehlfelt. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: None.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Beeson reviewed the Treasurer's Report for January. As of 1/31/09, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$932,050.49. After deposits of \$179,564.78, disbursements of \$216,662.17, the ending balance for those accounts was \$894,953.10. The combined balance of the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund Money Markets was \$132,954.65, and the balance for the Capital Projects and Equipment Fund CD's was \$1,394,480.17. There being no questions, Trustee Duhig made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Thar. All in favor.

Chief's Report: Chief DiMenza deferred his report to Old Business.

Deputy Chief's Report: Deputy Chief Lewis informed the Board that the County rejected the proposal to build the Church of the Resurrection on the Wagner property.

Attorney's Report: Although Attorney Weiler was absent, President Klage spoke with him prior to the meeting. During that conversation, Attorney Weiler stated that he had spoken with the Village Manager, and he was told that the Village is planning to have their TIF meeting in the very near future but a date has not yet been set.

Old Business: The Board was given a Resolution on electronic attendance at board meetings last month. After each Board Member had the opportunity to review the resolution, Trustee Thar made a motion to adopt the resolution allowing electronic attendance within the parameters set forth by the Open Meetings Act, seconded by Trustee Muehlfelt. Motion carried by majority vote.

With regard to the new tanker, Chief DiMenza stated that he is still working on fine tuning the specifications. There are a couple of concerns that need to be ironed out before the specifications go out for bid.

Chief DiMenza spoke with Larry Robbins from Paramedic Services of Illinois regarding their contract with the Winfield Fire Protection District, and they agreed to reduce the contract by 50% when the number of P.S.I. employees is reduced by 50%.

Deputy Chief Lewis next spoke on the 1980 Mack Fire Engine, reminding the Board that at the January meeting, authorization was given to sell the Mack to the Elgin Regional Fire Academy in exchange for 2.5 scholarships to the Fire Academy. Since that time, the Elgin Regional Fire Academy informed the District that they are indefinitely canceling classes, because the City of Elgin is requiring that there be a minimum of 20 students per class in order to proceed and there haven't been 20 students per class in several years. Consequently, the Fire Academy will not be able to accept the vehicle. Deputy Chief Lewis stated that the Marengo Fire Department may be interested in acquiring the engine. He will report any new developments at the next meeting.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for January as well as comment cards and thank-you letters. After discussing the comment cards and thank you letters, Trustee Duhig made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Muehlfelt. All in favor.

New Business: Chief DiMenza, Deputy Chief Lewis and President Klage had a lunch meeting with representatives of Central DuPage Hospital to discuss the District's plans for the future and how the District would like to see if Central DuPage Hospital can assist the District in meeting those goals. Following that meeting, Deputy Chief Lewis spoke with Mr. Bell from the Hospital and was told that the Hospital is in the middle of planning their budget for the next year, and that he will guarantee at least what the Hospital was contributing this past year, perhaps more. They were very impressed with the information they were given in our proposal and they hope to be able to help offset some of those costs.

Payment of Bills: The Bill List for February was presented reflecting a total of \$69,859.44. After discussion, Trustee Duhig made a motion to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Trustee Thar. All in favor.

Other Business: None.

There being nothing further for open session, Trustee Thar made a motion to move into Executive Session for purposes of discussing land acquisition, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), seconded by Trustee Muehlfelt. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 7:52 p.m.

Mark Klage, President

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary