

Regular Meeting  
March 16, 2010

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

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

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

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 2/16/10 were distributed prior to the meeting. There being no questions or corrections, Trustee Keck made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: None.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Keck reviewed the Treasurer's Report for February. As of 2/28/10, the beginning balance in the checking account, general money market account and working capital CD was \$806,690.43. After deposits of \$26,776.61, disbursements of \$161,478.45, the ending balance for those accounts was \$671,478.45. The combined balance of the Capital Projects Fund and Equipment Fund, including CD's, was \$1,149,935.36 (\$804,157.52 for Capital Projects and \$345,782.82 for Equipment Fund), giving a total of all funds of \$1,821,923.95. 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 distributed information to the Board on a wireless alarm network and asked that they review the information between now and the next meeting. In addition, he asked that Attorney Weiler prepare an intergovernmental agreement between the Winfield Fire Protection District and the City of Wheaton Fire Department to allow the two agencies to work together on this issue. Once that agreement is in place, all businesses who are required to have a fire alarm system will connect to the wireless network, which will end up being more cost effective to everyone.

Deputy Chief's Report: None.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Weiler reminded the Board that they will need to appoint a FOIA Officer and an Open Meetings Act Officer, so he will create an ordinance for the next meeting to address both of those.

Old Business: Trustee Keck stated that the DuPage Fire District Association was officially formed two weeks ago, and Winfield Fire Protection District is a member of that association.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda consisted of the Monthly Run Report for February. There being no discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Keck. All in favor.

New Business: Chief DiMenza was approached by Winfield Village President Birutis with regard to a Congressional Appropriations Program, and she thought the Fire District should apply for funds to build a new fire station. Since the deadline to apply was three days from then and there was not adequate time for Chief DiMenza to bring this idea to the Board, he declined to proceed with the application. In addition, the federal grant proposal would have required a 45% matching funds from any organization receiving a grant, which the Fire District would not have been in a position to provide. President Klage provided his written support of Chief DiMenza's actions with respect to this issue, and the rest of the Board concurred. A copy of President Klage's written statement is attached to these minutes.

Deputy Chief Lewis next discussed his memorandum requesting the purchase of a new ambulance. When the anticipated year-end cash on hand was evaluated, Deputy Chief Lewis and Chief DiMenza looked at the vehicle replacement schedule and determined that there were sufficient funds to not only purchase a new ambulance one year earlier than original scheduled, but that purchase could be made out of remaining operating funds rather than utilizing the equipment replacement funds. Proceeding in this fashion would allow the equipment replacement funds to be utilized for other vehicles that will need to be replaced as set forth in the vehicle replacement schedule. President Klage provided a written statement in support of the ambulance purchase, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. After much discussion, Trustee Keck made the motion to purchase a 2010 E450 Ford diesel Type III Custom #3170 for a cost of \$139,284.00, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor by roll call vote.

Payment of Bills: The Bill List for March was presented reflecting a total of \$74,657.50. There being no questions, Trustee Lockard made a motion to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Trustee Saylor. All in favor.

Other Business: None.

Trustee Lockard made a motion to move into Executive Session for purposes of discussing Personnel, Salaries and/or Discipline (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)). That motion was seconded by Trustee Keck. All in favor. The meeting was moved into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.

(Executive Session)

The regular session of the Board of Trustees reconvened at 9:20 p.m. with the same board members present. Trustee Lockard made the motion to terminate FF Paul Karum's employment status, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor.

There being no further discussion, Trustee Lockard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

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Phillip J. Saas, President Pro Tem

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Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary