Regular Meeting March 17, 2015

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

<u>Members Present</u>: President Mark Klage, Secretary Phillip Saas, Trustee Cliff Mortenson and Trustee Randall Simpson. Absent: Treasurer Jenny Saylor.

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

<u>Minutes</u>: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 2/15/15 and Executives Session of 2/15/15 were distributed prior to the meeting. Trustee Mortenson made a motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented, seconded by Trustee Saas. All in favor. Trustee Saas made a motion to accept the Executive Session minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Mortenson. All in favor.

Remarks From Floor: None.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: In the absence of Treasurer Saylor, the Treasurer's Report for 2/28/15 in advance of the meeting. As of 2/28/15, the beginning balance in the checking account and general money market account was \$1,189,048.93. After deposits of \$39,450.85 and disbursements of \$199,209.98, the ending balance for those accounts was \$1,029,289.80. The combined balance of the Capital Projects Fund and Equipment Fund, including CD's, was \$1,275,394.39 (\$605,611.88 for Capital Projects and \$669,782.51 for Equipment Fund), giving a total of all funds of \$2,304,684.19. There being no further discussion, Trustee Saas made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Mortenson. All in favor.

<u>Chiefs' Reports</u>: Chief DiMenza gave an update on some of the renovations that have been done so far over the last four weeks. He stated that everything is going according to plan, with an anticipated completion time in April. The Board expressed their appreciation to all of the employees for their help in doing this project.

With respect to the computer network upgrades, Chief DiMenza stated that the process has gone very smoothly so far and is 99% complete.

Chief DiMenza then spoke about the full-time firefighter test, stating that 31 people applied and some still need to provide their CPAT and Ladder Climb certificates prior to the written test. The orientation and written test will be conducted at Central DuPage Hospital conference room.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Weiler stated that he received a call from Greg Collins of M & I Homes regarding the property on County Farm Road just south of the Great Western Trail. They are developing a community called Timber Creek, which involves the three parcels that are in our fire district boundaries but have not been taxed for any fire protection. Attorney Weiler will be meeting with Mr. Collins within the next week to work out an annexation ordinance once a determination is made as to who owns the property at that time. Deputy Chief Lewis clarified that since these

properties were not assigned to any particular fire department, the Winfield Fire Protection District is not taking them away from another jurisdiction by annexing them.

Attorney Weiler then stated that at the last meeting there was discussion about a resolution imposing a limiting rate. He distributed a draft copy of a proposed resolution and explained both ways from which the District could choose.

Deputy Chief Lewis informed the Board that there is some property being developed on the border of Wheaton that used to be in the Winfield Fire Protection District but has been annexed by the City of Wheaton, and he was wondering about the process of securing the receipt of tax money over the next five years. After discussion, Attorney Weiler stated that it is something that automatically happens, and there will be a gradual decrease in the taxes that are paid to the District over a 5-year period of time.

<u>Old Business</u>: Trustee Mortenson spoke about the mentoring program that the Board asked the Chief to begin and gave them an update as to progress.

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

<u>New Business</u>: Trustee Mortenson expressed disappointment that Chief DiMenza's Employment Agreement was not on the agenda. President Klage stated that he intended to discuss that in Executive Session but no action would be taken at this meeting.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>: The Bill List for February was presented reflecting a total of \$95,196.26. Trustee Saas made a motion to pay the bills as listed, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor.

<u>Other Business</u>: President Klage mentioned that he and Chief DiMenza were invited to meet with several other figure heads from other taxing bodies the Village, and he felt it went very well.

There being no further discussion for open session, Trustee Saas made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session for purposes of discussion personnel, salaries and/or discipline, seconded by Trustee Simpson. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Mark Klage, President	Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary