

# FRANKFORT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Minutes of the Special Public Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Frankfort Fire Protection District, Will County, Illinois, held at Fire Station Number One, 333 W. Nebraska Street, Frankfort, Illinois, in said District at 5:30 P.M., on the 8th day of August 2019.

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order and a roll call was taken.

Upon the roll being called, the following Trustees answered present:  
William F. Hoffmeister, Robert Jacobs, Michael Kavanagh, Larry Nice and Daniel Rossi.

Chief Bob Wilson, DC Sean Fierce and AC Paul Kinsella were absent from said meeting.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

## **FINANCE:**

1. Discussion/Possible Action on Changing Health Insurance Broker

Trustee Jacobs noted that the reason for this meeting is to approve a new Broker for the Department's Health Insurance.

Trustee Jacobs presented the following information:

- Three (3) Brokers (One Digital, IBPC and Corkill) made presentations to the Insurance Committee last Friday (August 2);
- The Insurance Committee was impressed with One Digital;
- Information was given that BC/BS would be sending out their renewals early this year - as early as late this month or September. This pertains to the FFPD's January renewal;
- Once BC/BS sends the price to a Broker and the Broker sends it out to a client, the client cannot change Brokers. That is why the decision to change Brokers must be made now;
- The Insurance Committee strongly recommended changing Brokers due to errors The Horton Group made earlier this year with the unanticipated change in the Prescription Plan. This change caused several of our members to pay an extremely high deductible and they were not reimbursed in a timely manner. The Committee felt this error by Horton was inexcusable; and,
- The Insurance Committee recommended changing to One Digital as the new Broker and requests immediate approval from the Board so the new Broker can negotiate the renewal.

In answer to Trustee Kavanagh's question regarding cost savings/rate savings, Trustee Jacobs stated the rate is what the rate is, however, the Broker has the ability to negotiate.

The Board held an open discussion concerning the issues with Horton and the three (3) vendor product presentations.

**FINANCE:** [Continue]

Michelle stated our new accounting company (Governmental Accounting, Inc.) also highly recommended One Digital – excellent company and excellent customer service. She also noted that nationwide, One Digital is labeled a “1% Premier Status Insurance Company” with BC/BS.

**POSSIBLE CLOSED SESSION PER STATUTE 5ILCS120/2C FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING LITIGATION, COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, REAL ESTATE AND PERSONNEL:**

At 5:50 P.M., a **Motion** was made by Trustee Daniel Rossi, seconded by Trustee Larry Nice, that the Board meet in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Litigation, Real Estate, Personnel and any other Frankfort Fire Protection District business that is allowed to be discussed in Closed Session under the Open Meetings Act. President Jacobs called for a roll call vote: upon the roll being called, the following Trustees voted aye: William F. Hoffmeister, Robert Jacobs, Michael Kavanagh, Larry Nice and Daniel Rossi. All in favor. Motion carried.

At 6:12 P.M., a **Motion** was made by Trustee William F. Hoffmeister, seconded by Trustee Larry Nice, to reconvene the Special Board Meeting. President Jacobs called for a voice vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

**POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION:**

As result of Closed Session, a **Motion** was made by Trustee William F. Hoffmeister, seconded by Trustee Michael Kavanagh, to change the Health Insurance Broker to One Digital, as presented. President Jacobs called for a roll call vote: upon the roll being called, the following Trustees voted aye: William F. Hoffmeister, Robert Jacobs, Michael Kavanagh, Larry Nice and Daniel Rossi. All in favor. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT/RECESS:**

At 6:15 P.M., a **Motion** was made by Trustee Larry Nice, seconded by Trustee William F. Hoffmeister, that this meeting be adjourned. President Jacobs called for a voice vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Michelle Selvaggio, Recording Secretary

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Secretary, Board of Trustees  
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