# FRANKFORT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FRANKFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Minutes of the Regular 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 5:00 P.M., on the 18th day of June 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 also in attendance.

# **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

1. Regular BOT Meeting, May 21, 2019

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Robert Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Daniel Rossi, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes dated May 21, 2019, as presented. President Jacobs called for a voice vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:**

1. Board/Expenditure Report

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Daniel Rossi, seconded by Trustee William F. Hoffmeister, to authorize payment of the Fire Service and Ambulance Fund bills, totaling \$143,013.64, 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.

#### **PERSONNEL:**

1. Discussion/Updates on Miscellaneous Personnel Items

DC Fierce noted the two (2) new employees (A. Di Vito and S. Loerop) are assigned to Station 72 and doing well.

# **FINANCE:**

Trustee Rossi mentioned a Special Board Meeting is scheduled for this Friday (June 21) regarding the financial status of the FFPD.

#### **FINANCE:** [Continued]

Chief Wilson stated the new accounting firm would present an overview of the budget. They will also offer suggestions, ideas and comparisons in relation to what other departments do.

Trustee Rossi requested the sending of the monthly Financial Report to the Committee be continued.

#### **MOBILE EQUIPMENT:**

AC Kinsella noted the following:

- 1. Reached out to another vendor regarding a possible future ambulance; and,
- 2. The re-chassis is in good shape happy so far and it will be in service soon (hopefully next week).

### **COMMUNICATION:**

DC Fierce provided the following information:

- 1. Lawyers for the FFPD and Orland Park are still having discussions;
- 2. Other Districts may leave Laraway (LCC) and join Orland;
- 3. Mokena and New Lenox are meeting with WesCom;
- 4. The initial pricing for the FFPD to join WesCom would be \$50,000 more per year;
- 5. August 1 is the target date to confirm which Districts are in or out;
- 6. In reference to the "withdrawal" notice, the State of Illinois and the ETSB are now involved due to correspondence from the Will County 911 Department.

Trustee Kavanagh stated he would prefer to stay if things could improve with Dispatch.

DC Fierce mentioned the Director of LCC told the Manhattan Board it would take two (2) years to improve. He (DC Fierce) also said that Frankfort Village Trustee Keith Ogle attends the meetings and is now aware of the issues. The current issues with Laraway continue and are becoming more political.

In reference to the recently purchased used radios, DC Fierce advised the equipment has been tested and the radio coverage is better than before. The FFPD also joined in a "regional" Grant with Manhattan, Mokena, New Lenox and Joliet for about \$900,000.00 worth of radio equipment. If the Grant is approved, the FFPD could end up with \$300,000.00 in radio equipment.

#### **REAL ESTATE:**

DC Fierce advised the Board of the following:

- The Magna Grip Vent Exhaust System for Station 75 will be installed next Tuesday (June 25); and.
- May be receiving a funding Grant from FEMA to install exhaust systems for Stations 71, 72 and 73.

#### MUSEUM & FFD HISTORICAL COMMITTEE;

DC Fierce stated the installation of the new roof for the Museum has been completed.

#### APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS:

None.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Chief Wilson noted the following:

- 1. Reminded the Trustees that Kristi's farewell luncheon/party is this Friday (June 21);
- 2. Make-up photos is scheduled for next Friday; and,
- 3. Will be out of town for the July Board Meeting.

#### TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Trustee Nice advised the Board the wife (Inez) of Past-Trustee Don Lorenz is in hospice.

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

None requested

# **ADJOURNMENT/RECESS:**

At 5:35 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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