

**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 17th day of September 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:

Robert Jacobs, Larry Nice and Daniel Rossi.

Chief Bob Wilson and DC Sean Fierce were also in attendance.

Trustees William F. Hoffmeister and Michael Kavanagh were absent from said meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

1. Regular BOT Meeting, August 20, 2019

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Robert Jacobs seconded by Trustee Larry Nice, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes dated August 20, 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 Larry Nice, seconded by Trustee Daniel Rossi, to authorize payment of the Fire Service and Ambulance Fund bills, totaling \$120,761.97 as presented. President Jacobs called for a roll call vote: upon the roll being called, the following Trustees voted aye: Robert Jacobs, Larry Nice and Daniel Rossi. All in favor. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL:

1. Discussion/Updates on Miscellaneous Personnel Items

Chief Wilson reported the two (2) "Step 2" grievances have been settled, via arbitration.

DC Fierce stated IO Solutions, in conjunction with the "consortium" (5 neighboring Districts) are overseeing the candidate application process for the new Eligibility List. Each District will conduct their own interviews. The application period ends September 23. The Orientation Meeting is scheduled for September 30, 7 P.M., at the Pipefitters Union Hall in Mokena. The written test is October 5.

PERSONNEL: [Continued]

The Commissioners have met and are preparing their questions for the Lieutenant Promotion interviews scheduled for September 26.

FINANCE:

Nothing new to report.

MOBILE EQUIPMENT:

Trustee Nice advised the Board that by doing another re-chassis of one of the older ambulances, there is a savings of \$50,000, over the price of a new ambulance.

DC Fierce stated he is working with the Committee on “specs” for a new Ladder Truck.

COMMUNICATION:

DC Fierce provided the following information:

- Attended the Operations Meeting at LCC today. LCC is operating at short staffing levels – labor/management issues exist;
- On September 6, visited WesCom and toured the facility, which was very impressive. They are currently working on a map feasibility study. WesCom’s personnel are computer savvy and understand the system, training takes 7-8 months and there is no shortage in staffing;
- In reference to Orland Park Dispatch, there is some apprehension in leaving the county; and,
- The FFPD has three (3) options:
 - Stay with LCC
 - Move to WesCom – in Will County
 - Move to Orland – out of County.

REAL ESTATE:

Chief Wilson stated – just waiting for decisions on FEMA Grants.

MUSEUM & FFD HISTORICAL COMMITTEE:

Nothing new to report.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS:

1. Interstate Emergency Vehicles, \$191,528.00 [Re-Chassis 2006 Ambulance]

Trustee Jacobs reported that he discussed the re-chassis with AC Kinsella yesterday.

Chief Wilson explained that a different vendor would do the re-chassis and that the boxes are still good. The FFPD will save \$50,000 by doing a re-chassis instead of purchasing a new ambulance.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS: [Continued]

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Larry Nice, seconded by Trustee Daniel Rossi, to approve the Interstate Emergency Vehicles purchase order for the Re-Chassis of the 2006 Ambulance, in the amount of \$191,528.00, as presented. President Jacobs called for a roll call vote: upon the roll being called, the following Trustees voted aye: Robert Jacobs, Larry Nice and Daniel Rossi. All in favor. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chief Wilson provided the following information:

- Stated the ISO review is on Thursday and hoping to get some direction on where the FFPD needs to be; and,
- Lockport Fire Chief is retiring on Friday.

DC Fierce advised that Chief Wilson contacted FSI to come in and present a “Modified Officer Development Program” for the BCs. According to previous attendees, the class was outstanding – better than expected, and to coincide with that program, a similar internal program will be offered for the Lieutenants. These programs will cover leadership, moral ethics, command culture, decision-making and professional development.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Chief Wilson confirmed for Trustee Nice that AC Kinsella is currently taking college classes.

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

None requested.

ADJOURNMENT/RECESS:

At 5:25 P.M., a **Motion** was made by Trustee Larry Nice, seconded by Trustee Daniel Rossi, that this meeting be adjourned. President Jacobs called for a voice vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Michelle Selvaggio, Recording Secretary

Secretary, Board of Trustees

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