



PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

Trustee Bennett called the January 13, 2015 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Plainfield Fire Protection District to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance at the Fire District Headquarters, 23748 W. 135th St., Plainfield, IL in the Board of Trustees Meeting Room.

A roll call attendance was taken as follows: James Lehmann - present, Doug Shreve – present; Dennis Bennett – present; Mark Reynolds - present. William Barnes was absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to appoint Trustee Bennett as acting President for this meeting due to the absence of President Barnes, seconded by Trustee Lehmann, all in favor.

Open Forum – Acting President Bennett stated that there were no items to discuss for Open Forum.

Correspondence –Acting President Bennett read thank you notes from Wescom for our participation in the Regional MABAS Training Session; Bolingbrook Fire Department for mutual aid assistance with a structure fire; a citizen for responding to her 911 call in a professional manner (Jack Jirgl & Steve Hawkinson) and Judge Lechwar for participating in the swearing in ceremony. Thank you notes were also read from the families of Beryl Hagerman and Charlotte Pubentz.

A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to approve the December 9, 2014 and December 16, 2014 meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Lehmann, all in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to accept the December 2014 Treasurer's report, seconded by Trustee Shreve, all in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to pay the bills in the usual manner, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, all in favor.

Old Business - Chief Riddle mentioned the Village gave us substantial consideration on the water bill at old HQ. There was an issue with water running that was undetected and consequently left us with a very large bill. The problem has since been resolved.

Trustee Shreve would like someone to check the generator at old HQ to be sure it is working correctly. Chief Riddle assured him this would be done.

Contractors are working at St. 2 for the Battalion Chiefs & Lieutenant rooms.

A presentation was given by Lt. John Votteler and Lt. Pat Murphy on the proposed training facilities. Lt. Votteler stated burn training would be conducted in the spring or fall when most people are at work or in school. He also stated the residents closest to the training site are invited to witness the burn training in case they have any concerns. The training facilities are required to be inspected every year. The Village has a height code maximum of 35 feet. The training facilities will be 30 feet. DC Stratton stated there is money in the budget for the training facilities. After much discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to move forward with the two training facilities, seconded by Trustee Bennett. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Shreve - yes; Trustee Bennett – yes; Trustee Reynolds - yes. Motion carried.**

Strategic Plan – Chief Riddle requested a Workshop be scheduled in February to discuss only the Strategic Plan in order to finalize it.

Grants – Lt. Andy Scott is working on a physical fitness grant that is due on January 14, 2015.

New Business

There are no annexations.

There are no Board of Review Notices.

DC Stratton presented a proposal to the Board for two new Bullard thermal imaging cameras. One camera would be on 1941 and the other would be kept in the Battalion Chiefs car. The cost per camera is \$7,700.00 with a 5-year warranty. After some discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to purchase two Bullard cameras from Essential Equipment Solutions as proposed, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Shreve - yes; Trustee Bennett – yes; Trustee Reynolds - yes. Motion carried.**

Chief Riddle asked the Board if we could join the GAF Timberline Shingles class action for Stations 1, 2 & 3. The Board approved to join the class action.

Chief's Report – It was reported that income for billing services was \$86,725.09 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$5,780.00. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Riddle thanked everyone involved in Chief Eichelberger's last day ceremony. He thanked the Honor Guard which consisted of: Bryan Gallup, Eric Jensen, Ryan Johnson, Ray Crompton, Chris Marchinski, Eric Watkins and Brett Krasuski. He also thanked Scott Moore, Vince Baudek, Joe Broadus, Eddie Eddy and Jim Lehmann for cooking breakfast for the Chief. He thanked Ralph Rouse and Fred Baldego for all the prep work behind the scenes and the Plainfield Police Department for helping with traffic control.

Chief Riddle informed the Board of the upcoming "Chat with the Chiefs" community meeting that will be held at the Plainfield Police Department on January 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

Committee Reports – Administration – Trustee Barnes was absent, no further report.

Vehicles – Trustee Reynolds reported the new ambulance should be in mid-March. DC Stratton's new car is in and the Battalion Chiefs' car is almost complete. EVT Mike Ludemann has been very busy with the new cars.

Land & Building – Trustee Bennett had no further report.

EMS – Trustee Lehmann had no further report.

Personnel – Trustee Shreve had no further report.

Fire Commission Report – There is a Commission meeting scheduled in January.

Deputy Chief Stratton – DC Stratton asked the Board for their permission to hold the annual pancake breakfast at the Administration Building on 135th Street on Sunday, March 22, 2015. The Board agreed to have it at the Administration Building.

He also asked the Board for permission to hold the St. Baldrick's event at old HQ on Des Plaines Street this year. It will be in conjunction with the St. Patrick's Day parade downtown. Permission was granted as long as we still own the building.

A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to adjourn to closed session at 6:51 p.m. to discuss workman's compensation, personnel issues, collective bargaining, potential sale and/or purchase of real estate, pending litigation, seconded by Trustee Lehmann, all in favor.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:34 p.m. by motion from closed session. Acting President Bennett stated that during closed session, discussion was held with regard to workman's compensation, personnel issues and collective bargaining.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Trustee Shreve, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Bennett, Trustee/Secretary
Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant