

PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

Trustee Denny Bennett called the April 14, 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 District Headquarters located at 23748 W. 135th Street, Plainfield, IL in the Board of Trustees Meeting Room.

A roll call attendance was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – present; Trustee Shreve – present; Trustee Bennett – present; Trustee Reynolds – present. Trustee 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 – Vicky Polito stated she attended the Pancake Breakfast and really enjoyed it. She thanked everyone for their hard work at the breakfast.

Correspondence – Trustee Bennett read thank you notes from Homer Township Fire Protection District for our assistance with a brush fire; Sisters Maristella and Lourentia for 911 assistance; Dawn Ishida for assistance with her smoke alarms and St. Mary's Parish for the Ride to School donation. Leap of Faith Arts Ministries sent Mary Ludemann a thank note for her assistance during their recent move to a new facility. A letter was received from the Plainfield Library notifying us of their upcoming open house.

A motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to approve the March 10 and March 26, 2015 meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Shreve, all in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to accept the March 2015 Treasurer's report, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, all in favor.

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

Old Business – Chief Riddle stated painting at St. 4 is complete and they are now working at St. 1.

Chief Riddle reported he notified our membership to participate in the Strategic Plan review. He has not received a confirmation of participation from the public that was invited to partake in the Strategic Plan review. He is still on target for the May review meeting.

A letter was received from First Midwest Bank in regard to an increase in our interest rate. Cheree Lewis asked the Board if they have any objection with continuing our banking at First Midwest. After some discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to continue banking at First Midwest Bank, 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.

New Business – There are no annexations.

A Board of Review Notice was received from Walgreens. Attorney Gilbert's office is handling the notice.

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Eric Anderson from BMO gave a presentation on refunding opportunities of 2008 Alternate Revenue Sources. The subject was tabled until the April 20, 2015 Workshop meeting.

Chief Riddle asked for the Board's permission to process up to six additional part-time Firefighter/Paramedics for the roster. This would keep the total part-time members number at 50. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to add six part-time Firefighter/Paramedics to the roster, seconded by Trustee Reynolds. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Reynolds – yes; Trustee Bennett – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Lehmann – yes. Motion carried.

Only one bid was received for the training towers. The bid was received from American Fire Training Systems. The non-burn tower bid was \$196,337.50 and the burn tower was \$348,095.00. After some discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to award the contract as written to American Fire Training Systems, seconded by Trustee Lehmann. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Bennett – yes; Trustee Reynolds – yes. Motion carried.

Chief's Report – It was reported that income for billing services was \$92,867.92 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$6,396.00. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Committee Reports – Administration – Trustee Barnes was absent.

Vehicles – Trustee Reynolds reported the 2015 Replacement Vehicle Program Chief Eichelberger established will be reviewed. Chief's new car is in. The ambulance committee went to Horton in Columbus, Ohio to look at the new ambulance which should be here by the end of the month.

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 will be a meeting on April 15, 2015.

Chief Riddle – Chat with the Chiefs will be held on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Plainfield Fire Protection District Administrative building.

The downstairs patio at the Administrative building is scheduled to be fixed the week of April 28, 2015.

Deputy Chief Stratton – Met with Duane Stonich from Joliet Junior College. We should be receiving a rough draft of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) from them in the near future to come together on a partnership for training.

The Plainfield Historical Society will be giving a presentation on the tornado that came through Plainfield in 1990 on Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 7:00 pm. A couple of our firefighters who worked during the tornado will be at the presentation.

Construction has started on Rt. 30.

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A motion was made by Trustee Bennett to adjourn to closed session at 6:59 p.m. to discuss workman's compensation, personnel issues, collective bargaining, potential sale and/or purchase of real estate, pending litigation, seconded by Trustee Shreve, all in favor.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:18 p.m. by motion from closed session. Trustee Bennett stated that during closed session, discussion was held with regard to workman's compensation, personnel issues, collective bargaining potential sale and/or purchase of real estate.

There will be a Workshop meeting on Monday, April 20, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m., seconded by Trustee Reynolds, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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