



# PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

Trustee William Barnes called the October 21, 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. 135<sup>th</sup> Street, Plainfield, IL in the Board of Trustees Meeting Room.

A roll call attendance was taken as follows: Trustee Tom Paul – present; Trustee William Barnes – present; Trustee Douglas Shreve – present; Trustee James Lehmann – present.

**Open Forum** – John Sullivan, along with his son Johnny, spoke on behalf of Cub Scout Pack 91. Johnny read a thank you note to Chief Riddle and Fire Inspector Mary Ludemann for helping the Pack with an egg drop experiment.

**Correspondence** – Trustee Lehmann read thank you notes from KLA Pre-School for the fire truck visit; Goddard School for visiting their classes; from Lt. Murphy to Lt. Stevens for his crews professionalism on a tragic call. Donations were received from Ottosen Britz Kelly Cooper Gilbert & DiNolfo, Ltd., Callans family and Martinek family in memory of Ike Eichelberger. A memorial was received in honor of Leonard Kubinski from the Lee family. Chief Riddle read a thank you note from Linden Oaks Outpatient Program.

**A motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to approve the September 8, 2015 meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Shreve, all in favor.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to approve the September 11, 2015 meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Paul, all in favor.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to accept the September 2015 Treasurer's report, seconded by Trustee Paul, all in favor.**

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

**Old Business** – Chief Riddle stated the second Strategic plan meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

Re-financing Existing Bonds – Eric Anderson, Managing Director with Piper Jaffray & Co. gave an update on the status of the current market in regard to re-financing existing bonds. He suggested moving ahead with the private placement option. The final presentation/information will be made at the next Board meeting.

The Board agreed to interview the three candidates for the open Trustee position on November 2, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Chief Riddle informed the Board he is getting close to finishing the Policy Manual. His intention is to give it to the Board at the December meeting and distribute it by January 19, 2016 prior to the Battalion Chief promotion testing.

**New Business** – There are no new Board of Review notices. Attorney Tom Gilbert stated Walgreens globally settled their Board of Review notices.

There are no annexations.

Declare 1989 Squad (1916) as surplus – After a brief discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to declare the 1989 Squad (1916) as surplus and available for the sale to the Village of Shorewood, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Shreve - yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Paul - yes. Motion carried.**

Declare technical rescue air shores as surplus – After some discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to declare the air shores as surplus and possibly donate them to Channahon Fire, seconded by Trustee Barnes. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Shreve - yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Paul - yes. Motion carried.**

Chief Riddle presented the K&R Landscaping proposal to the Board for sustainable landscaping that will eliminate the need to cut the grass on the berm at HQ. The proposal is \$6,980.00. After much discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to accept the proposal as presented in the amount of \$6,980.00, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Shreve - yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Paul - yes. Motion carried.**

The Board reviewed a hardship application for a Fire Recovery invoice. **A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to declare the invoice as paid in full, seconded by Trustee Lehmann. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Shreve - yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Paul - yes. Motion carried.**

**Chief's Report** – It was reported that income for billing services was \$121,031.50 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$2,208.00. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Riddle reported the Open House was successful. He stated there were approximately 1,000 attendees. He thanked everyone for their participation.

There will be a Bullex equipment demonstration on Thursday at 4:00 pm by the training towers.

Trustee Shreve thanked all the employees for what they do. He stated the public doesn't really know what they go through and thanked them for the great job they do. He asked that they all get recognition from the Board. He stated nobody does it better than them. The entire Board agreed.

**Committee Reports** – Administration – Trustee Barnes had no further report.

Vehicles – No further report.

Land & Building – Trustee Paul – Stated the concrete around the training towers looks good.

EMS – Trustee Lehmann had no further report.

Personnel – Trustee Shreve had no further report.

Fire Commission Report – Waiting on Illinois Fire Chief’s for possible dates for Battalion Chief promotional testing.

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Trustee Paul stated he is proud of all the employees. He was able to witness three calls and was very impressed. He also thanked the Chiefs for all they do.

**A motion was made by Trustee Barnes to adjourn to closed session at 7:26 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.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Barnes to reconvene the regular meeting from closed session at 7:38 p.m., seconded by Trustee Paul, all in favor.**

Trustee Barnes stated that during closed session, discussion was held with regard to workman’s compensation, personnel issues, collective bargaining process, potential sale and/or lease of real estate.

There will be a Workshop on November 2, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

**There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m., seconded by Trustee Barnes, all in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

James Lehmann, Trustee/Secretary

Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant