

## PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## **BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES**

Trustee William Barnes called the February 12, 2019 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 Jim Lehmann - present; Trustee Bill Barnes - present; Trustee Bob Baish - present; Trustee Tom Paul - present. Trustee Shreve - absent.

Also in attendance were Chief Jon Stratton; Assistant Chief Mark Reynolds; Battalion Chief Vito Bonomo; Battalion Chief Scott Moore; Attorney John Motylinski, Ottosen Britz; James Howard, Governmental Accounting and Admin. Assistant Mary Jo Fazio

**Open Forum** – Nothing from the audience.

**Correspondence** – Trustee Lehmann read thank you notes from Retired Chief David Riddle for supporting him during his tenure at Plainfield Fire; St. Mary Immaculate Parish School for our support over the past year and from a resident for our assistance with her husband.

A motion was made by Trustee Baish to approve the January 8, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Paul, all in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to approve the January 22, 2019 special meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Baish, all in favor. Motion carried.

James Howard, Governmental Accounting, presented the Treasurer's report to the Board. After the Board reviewed the Treasurer's report, a motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to accept the Treasurer's report, as presented, seconded by Trustee Baish. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul - yes. Motion carried.

James Howard informed the Board that we have received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for our comprehensive annual financial report. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

Chief Stratton thanked James for helping us achieve this award.

A motion was made by Trustee Baish to pay the bills in the usual manner, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul - yes. Motion carried.

Old Business – James Howard presented the lease agreement information to the Board in regard to the new Engine. After some discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Baish to enter a 7-year lease agreement with PNC, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish - yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Lehmann – yes. Motion carried.

Possibly make an appointment for the Deputy Chief position. Chief Stratton requested closed session.

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**New Business** – One Board of Review notice was received. Attorney John Motylinski stated there is no action to be taken.

One Annexation was received. Attorney John Motylinski stated there is no action to be taken.

No new Tax Objection Notices were received.

Attorney's Report – John Motylinski requested closed session for his report.

James Howard presented and reviewed the Veba Resolution with the Board. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Baish to accept the Resolution after counsel makes the necessary changes, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.

Chief Stratton stated Alex Medina, IT received a proposal from Sound Incorporated to update the AV system in Training Room A at the Headquarters Campus. The total cost for the updates would be \$19,252.00. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Paul to approve the update to AV system in Training Room A by Sound Incorporated in the amount of \$19,252.00, seconded by Trustee Lehmann. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.

Chief Stratton explained to the Board that the Check It Program by Target Solutions is a program that would allow personnel to conduct vehicle checks electronically and supervisors to check that it was completed each day and by whom. The annual Target Solutions Check It subscription fee would not exceed \$4,000.00. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to approve the Check It Program at an annual rate not to exceed \$4,000.00, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish - yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Lehmann – yes. Motion carried.

Chief Stratton stated a proposal was received from American Fire Training Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$10,233.49 for anchors and anchor bars that would be mounted on the training towers. After some discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Baish to hire American Fire Training Systems, Inc. to install the anchors and anchor bars as proposed on the training towers and not to exceed \$10,233.49, seconded by Trustee Lehmann. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish - yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Lehmann – yes. Motion carried.

Seeking a motion to appoint Bill Barnes as a Pension Board Trustee. A motion was made by Trustee Baish to appoint Bill Barnes as a Pension Board Trustee, seconded by Trustee Paul, all in favor. Motion carried.

**Chief's Report** – It was reported that income from billing services was \$176,240.21 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$2,031.60 (due to the tracking system being down, this number is not accurate). All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Stratton reported to the Board the Incident Action Plan for the Polar Vortex from January 29 – February 1, 2019 was included in their packet of information.

Chief Stratton said there will possibly be a Police and Fire Academy in the spring. He will have more details at the end of March depending how many sign up for the Academy..

Committee Reports – Nothing to report at this time. Board of Trustees Meeting (cont.) Page 3 February 12, 2019

A motion was made by Trustee Barnes to adjourn to closed session at 6:44 p.m. to discuss workman's compensation, personnel issues, collective bargaining progress, potential sale and/or lease of real estate or to establish a price for the sale of any property, pending or threatened litigation and for any other lawful purpose permitted by the Open Meeting Act, seconded by Trustee Lehmann, all in favor. Motion carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:10 p.m. by motion from closed session.

A motion was made by Trustee Baish to promote Battalion Chief Vito Bonomo to Deputy Chief and to authorize Chief Stratton to fill the open positions created from this promotion accordingly, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Lehmann – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Lehmann to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m., seconded by Trustee Paul, all in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

James Lehmann, Secretary Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant