



# PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

Trustee William Barnes called the June 11, 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.

Oath of Office ceremony took place for newly elected Trustees William Barnes and Ted Peszynski; officiated by Trustee Bob Baish.

Chief Stratton read a letter from the Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts Board of Directors and Recognition Committee, awarding Trustee William Barnes the 2019 Trustees Outstanding Service Award. Congratulations to Trustee Barnes. Trustee Barnes has 64 years of service with Plainfield Fire.

Chief Stratton recognized Paramedic Roy Doden for 30 years of service to Plainfield Fire Protection District.

Chief Stratton recognized Firefighter Lt. Bob Knowles for 35 years of service to Plainfield Fire Protection District.

A roll call attendance was taken as follows: Trustee Tom Paul - present; Trustee Bob Baish – present; Trustee Bill Barnes – present; Trustee Doug Shreve – Present; Trustee Ted Peszynski– present.

Also in attendance were Chief Jon Stratton; Deputy Chief Vito Bonomo; Battalion Chief Mike Obman; Attorney Tom Gilbert, Ottosen Britz; James Howard, Governmental Accounting and Admin. Assistant Mary Jo Fazio

Election of Board Officers – Nominations for President, **a motion was made by Trustee Baish to nominate William Barnes for President, seconded by Trustee Paul. All in favor.**

Nominations for Secretary, **a motion was made by Trustee Baish to nominate Tom Paul for Secretary, seconded by Trustee Paul. All in favor.**

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

**Correspondence** – No correspondence was received.

**A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to approve the May 14, 2019 meeting minutes with the correct date for Jim Lehmann's end of term, 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 report, **a motion was made by Trustee Peszynski to accept the Treasurer's report, as presented, seconded by Trustee Baish. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Peszynski -yes. Motion carried.**

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

**Old Business** – Nothing to report.

**New Business** – No Board of Review notices were received.

No Annexations were received.

No new Tax Objection Notices were received.

Attorney's Report – Tom Gilbert stated the Secondary Employment Pension Bill has been modified. The secondary employer percentage to pay the primary employer for the pension fund has been removed from the bill. There will be a 90 day period to report sick, injury or exposure to the primary employer.

The Fire District bidding law will be changed upon signature of the governor and will permit cooperative purchasing with units of local government and private entities.

Tom informed the Board there is no longer a Prevailing Wage Ordinance that needs to be passed yearly but we still need to follow the laws in regard to Prevailing Wage.

Chief Stratton informed the Board they have three proposals for a new maintenance department pick-up truck. They are from Rod Baker in the amount of \$35,444.81; Arlington Heights Ford in the amount of \$36,253.81 and Currie Motors Frankfort in the amount of \$36,521.81. After some discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Baish to purchase the F-250 pick-up truck from Rod Baker in the amount of \$35,444.81, seconded by Trustee Penszynski. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Peszynski -yes. Motion carried.**

DC Bonomo explained to the Board the decision to add an exterior staircase to the non-burn training tower. A quote was received from American Fire Training Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$7,792.55. After a brief conversation, **a motion was made by Trustee Paul to purchase the exterior staircase from American Fire Training Systems for \$7,792.55, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

President Barnes stated one letter of interest was received for the position of Commissioner. The letter was received from Dale Hurley. **A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to appoint Dale Hurley to a three-year term as Commissioner, seconded by Trustee Paul. All in favor.**

**Chief's Report** – It was reported that income from billing services was \$154,276.99 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$5,584.00. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Stratton thanked the crews that responded to the motor vehicle incident on I-55 when 1919 was struck. He said because the crews did everything correctly, no one was injured. Great job to all! He stated that 1919 should be back in service by the end of the week.

He informed the Board that the new ambulance and engine specifications are complete. Once the committees sign off on the specifications, we should receive the new vehicles late fall of 2019.

**Committee Reports** – Nothing to report at this time.

**A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to adjourn to closed session at 6:32 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 Baish, all in favor. Motion carried.**

The regular meeting reconvened at 6:48 p.m. by a motion from closed session. Workman's compensation, potential sale and/or lease of real estate were discussed.

**There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Peszynski to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m., seconded by Trustee Paul, all in favor. Motion carried.**

**The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Paul, Secretary  
Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant