



PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

Trustee William Barnes called the September 8, 2020 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 Ted Peszynski - present; Trustee Bill Barnes – present; Trustee Bob Baish – present; Trustee Tom Paul – present. Trustee Doug Shreve was absent.

Also in attendance were Chief Jon Stratton; Deputy Chief Vito Bonomo; Battalion Chief Vince Baudek; Attorney Tom Gilbert, Ottosen Britz; Brad O’Sullivan, Governmental Accounting; Admin. Assistant Mary Jo Fazio.

Open Forum – Nothing from the audience.

Correspondence – Trustee Paul read thank you notes from the Fire Phoenix Patrol of Troop 19 and the Baber family. Chief Stratton presented Trustee Barnes a card for his birthday.

A motion was made by Trustee Baish to approve the August 11, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Peszynski. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Baish to approve the August 11, 2020 closed session minutes, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.

Brad O’Sullivan, Governmental Accounting, reviewed the Treasurer’s report with the Board. **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 Peszynski – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

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 Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Peszynski - yes. Motion carried.

Old Business – The Board reviewed the proposal from Corkill Insurance for the District’s liability, vehicle, and complete insurance package from August 23, 2020, to August 23, 2021, for \$83,647.00. After a brief discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Baish to accept the insurance proposal from Corkill Insurance as presented, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried.**

New Business – One Board of Review notice was received. Attorney Tom Gilbert said no action is to be taken.

No Annexations were received.

No Tax Objections were received.

Attorney's Report – Tom stated John Motylinski prepared the Federal Purchasing Policy for the District's Policy Manual.

Deputy Chief Bonomo discussed the proposal from Sound Incorporated for the upgrade to CAD and the AV distribution system at Headquarters. The cost of the proposed equipment and material is \$13,130.00; this is a budgeted item. After a short conversation, **a motion was made by Trustee Paul to approve the upgrades from Sound Incorporated as presented not to exceed \$13,130.00, seconded by Trustee Peszynski. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

Chief Stratton stated the Ballistic Vests the District currently uses need to be upgraded. A proposal was received from Veterans Mfg. for \$12,631.50. After a brief discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Baish to upgrade the Ballistic Vest using the grant funds we received, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried.**

Chief Stratton explained to the Board why Section 1.37, Federal Purchasing Policy should be adopted to the Board of Trustees District Policy Manual. This policy covers purchases made after receiving Federal Funds. After some conversation, **a motion was made by Trustee Peszynski to adopt Section 1.37 Federal Purchasing Policy to the Board of Trustees Policy Manual, seconded by Trustee Baish. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

Seeking Board consideration and a motion to renew Chief Stratton's contract. Chief Stratton requested closed session.

Seeking Board consideration and a motion to approve Mark Reynolds Deputy Chief contract. Chief Stratton requested closed session.

Chief's Report – It was reported that income from billing services was \$114,934.46 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$4,686.00. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Stratton updated the Board on the following items:

- COVID testing was held at Headquarters on Saturday, September 5; Sunday, September 6; Monday, September 7, and make-up on Thursday, September 10 for all Plainfield Fire District members.
- The Deputy Chief's new vehicle is in service. The old vehicle that was declared as surplus has been sold.
- The target delivery date for the new ambulance is February 2021.
- We are going out for snowplow bids for the 2020-2021 season.

Committee Reports – Nothing to report.

A motion was made by Trustee Peszynski 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 Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 6:49 p.m. by a motion from closed session. Personnel issues were discussed.

A motion was made by Trustee Baish to accept the Deputy Chief contract for Mark Reynolds as presented, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Baish to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m., seconded by Trustee Peszynski, all in favor. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 13, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Paul, Secretary

Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant