



# PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

President Bill Barnes called the May 11, 2021 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 Boardroom.

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 was absent.

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

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

**Correspondence** – Trustee Paul read a thank you note from Wescom Dispatch Center thanking us for pizza and donuts during Telecommunicator Week.

**A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to approve the April 13, 2021 meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Baish. All in favor, motion carried.**

Brad O’Sullivan, Governmental Accounting, reviewed the Treasurer’s report with the Board. **A motion was made by Trustee Baish to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.**

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

**Old Business** – Review the Policy Manual of the Board of Trustees of the Plainfield Fire Protection District. This was tabled until the June 8, 2021 meeting.

**New Business** – One Board of Review Notice was received. Attorney Tom Gilbert stated no action is to be taken.

No Annexations were received.

No Tax Objections were received.

Attorney’s Report – Tom had nothing to report. He stated it was good to be back and to see everyone in person.

The Board received the abstract votes from Will County from the consolidated election on April 6, 2021, for Bob Baish and Tom Paul. **A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to accept the abstract votes as presented, seconded by Trustee Baish. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

Election of Officers for the Board of Trustees – **A motion was made by Trustee Baish to keep the Officers as is, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

Officers are as follows: Trustee Barnes – President; Trustee Shreve – Treasurer; Trustee Paul – Secretary.

Simon Grant, Senior Vice President Busey Bank, gave a presentation to the Board on the investment portfolio for the District. After a brief discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Baish to approve the Busey Bank investment portfolio as presented, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

Seeking Board consideration and a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 21-0511 was tabled until the June 8, 2021 meeting.

Chief Stratton explained that the Plymovent exhaust system will replace the exhaust systems that are currently being used in the EVT shop, and Stations 2, 3 & 4. Station 1 is using the Plymovent exhaust system. There have been several issues with the current systems. He stated a portion of the cost will be paid for through the IPRF Safety Grant funds and the rest is a budgeted item. After some discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Paul to approve the purchase of the Plymovent exhaust systems as proposed, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.**

Deputy Chief Bonomo informed the Board that our data collection and reporting software (FireHouse) will not be supported at the end of 2021. A quote was presented to the Board for new software (ImageTrend) that will replace FireHouse. After the Board reviewed the proposal and some discussion was held, **a motion was made by Trustee Paul to purchase ImageTrend, seconded by Trustee Baish. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

Surplus the 2009 International ambulance for resale or donation. **A motion was made by Trustee Baish to surplus the 2009 International ambulance, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

**Chief's Report** – It was reported that income from billing services was \$100,631.23 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$5,200.00. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Stratton updated the Board on the following items:

- The new ambulance is in service at St. 2.
- The specification sheets for the tower ladder have been sent to Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus for potential buyers. We are probably a year out before receiving the new tower ladder.
- The two new FF/PMs are now on their regular shift.
- A Board of Commissioner position is up in June. A request for a letter of interest is posted on our website.

Deputy Chief Bonomo stated incidents have gone up 7% in the last month.

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**Committee Reports** – Nothing to report.

**There being no further business or a need for closed session, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m., seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.**

**The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, June 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Tom Paul, Secretary*

Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant