



PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

President Bill Barnes called the September 14, 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. 135th Street, Plainfield, IL in the Board Room.

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

Also in attendance were Chief Jon Stratton; Deputy Chief Vito Bonomo; Deputy Chief Mark Reynolds; 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 the family of WWII Veteran, Arthur Countryman for participating in his homecoming celebration.

A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to approve the August 10, 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; Trustee Peszynski - yes. Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to pay the bills in the usual manner, seconded by Trustee Peszynski. 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 – No old business.

New Business – No Board of Review Notices were received.

No Annexations were received.

No Tax Objections were received.

Attorney’s Report – Tom Gilbert discussed Executive Order 2021-22 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 88) from Governor JB Pritzker with the Board.

Chief Stratton explained to the Board the need to order a new ambulance now due to the extra-long delays in manufacturing. He stated it would be funded from next year's budget. After some discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to approve the purchase of a chassis/new ambulance, seconded by Trustee Peszynski. 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.**

Chief Stratton reviewed the newly created policy to comply with the Executive Order from Governor JD Pritzker regarding COVID 19 vaccinations and testing with the Board. After a lengthy discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Baish to approve the new policy created to comply with the Executive Order regarding COVID 19 vaccinations and testing, seconded by Trustee Barnes. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Peszynski – no; Trustee Shreve – no; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried 3-2.**

Chief's Report – It was reported that income from billing services was \$116,266.76 from Andres Medical. Billing income from USA Fire Recovery was \$7,432.56. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Stratton updated the Board on the following items:

- There will be a Wescom meeting on Thursday, September 16, 2021. The new Executive Director will be announced at that meeting. Executive Director Steve Rauter will be retiring; his last day is September 24, 2021.
- We received a visit from OSHA. Deputy Chief Reynolds and BC Kraft spent 4.5 hours with him, going to all stations. All requests from him have been made.
- We will be sending out an RFP (Request for Proposal) for the concrete work to be completed at St. 3. This will be funded from next year's budget.
- Open House will be on Saturday, October 9, 2021. It will look different this year due to COVID restrictions; it will be a drive-through event.
- The RFP for 2021-2022 snow plow bids has been posted in the newspaper and on our website. All bids are due back to us on or before September 30, 2021.
- We are planning on painting the maintenance building and the training towers in the near future. We will work around training that is scheduled for the towers.
- DC Bonomo stated there will be a Vehicle committee meeting on Monday, September 20, 2021, to review the final drawings for the tower ladder.

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 6:47 p.m., seconded by Trustee Paul. All in favor, motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Paul, Secretary

Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant