



# PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

President Bob Baish called the March 14, 2023, meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Plainfield Fire Protection District to order at 11:00 a.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 Doug Shreve – present; Trustee Bob Baish – present; Trustee Bill Barnes – present; Trustee Tom Paul – present. Trustee Ted Peszynski was absent.

Also in attendance were Chief Jon Stratton; Attorney John Motylinski; Brad O’Sullivan, Governmental Accounting; and Administrative Assistant Mary Jo Fazio.

**Open Forum** – Friends for Charitable Giving members Victoria Metway and Margie Bonuchi presented a check to the Fire District from the Red, White & Blue Charity Ball that was held on February 18, 2022.

**Correspondence** – Trustee Paul read thank you letters from Girl Scout Troop 75948 thanking us for the wonderful experience during their field trip to the fire station; from John Perona, Tri-River Police thanking Fred Baldego, Michael Adduci and Mary Jo Fazio for helping make their event run smoothly. He also read a thank you letter from a resident who wanted to show his sincere appreciation and compliments to Ambulance 1914 FF/PM Chase Meadows, Brennon Kuhn, Engine 1941 Lt. Bob Knowles, FF/PM Brett Krasuski, Jason Ewing, and Carl Schultz for their assistance on the 911 call at his home.

**A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to approve February 14, 2023, meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Barnes. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve - yes. Motion carried.**

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

**Old Business** – No old business.

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

Two Annexations were received. Attorney John Motylinski stated no action is to be taken.

No Tax Objections were received.

Attorney's Report – Attorney John Motylinski reminded the Board they will have to give him the names of two residents at the April meeting for the new oversight committee. The Ordinance listing the appointments to the committee will be adopted at the May 9, 2023, meeting. He also reported the Governor signed a Paid Leave Act for all workers that will go into effect in 2024. He will keep the Board up to date on this act if any changes occur.

Chief Stratton explained to the Board the need to purchase eight new Panasonic Toughbook computers for the vehicles. He stated the ones we currently have are out of warranty. The cost is \$25,244.00. He also informed the Board that this is a budgeted item. After a brief conversation, **a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to purchase eight Toughbook computers for \$25,244.00, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.**

Seeking Board approval to surplus six obsolete Toughbook computers for disposal or resale. Chief Stratton stated these are the old computers that are being replaced. **A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to surplus six obsolete Toughbook computers for disposal or resale, seconded by Trustee Barnes. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.**

Seeking Board approval to surplus the obsolete Mitel phones for disposal or resale. A list of obsolete phones was given to the Board for their review. After some discussion, **a motion was made by Trustee Barnes to surplus the Mitel phones as listed, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Paul – yes. Motion carried.**

Attorney John Motylinski explained to the Board the Foreign Fire Insurance Board Resolution. It authorizes the Illinois Municipal League to collect the 2% Foreign Fire Insurance License Fee for the Foreign Fire Insurance Board of Plainfield Fire Protection District. After a conversation was had, **a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to accept the Foreign Fire Insurance Board Resolution as presented, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.**

Chief's Report – It was reported that income from billing services for February 2023 was \$129,773.15 from Andres Medical. Billing income for February 2023 from USA Fire Recovery was \$10,012.85. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Stratton updated the Board on the following items:

- The St. Patrick's Day parade was held on Sunday, March 12, 2023.

Chief Stratton requested a closed session.

**Committee Reports** – Nothing to report.

**Other Reports** – Nothing to report.

**A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to adjourn to closed session at 11:25 a.m. to discuss any lawful purpose permitted by the Open Meeting Act, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.**

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The regular meeting reconvened at 11:35 a.m. by a motion from closed session. The potential sale and/or lease of real estate and personnel issues were discussed. No decisions were made.

**There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to adjourn the meeting at 11:39 a.m., seconded by Trustee Paul. All in favor, motion carried.**

**The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Tom Paul, Secretary*

Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant