

## PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## **BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES**

President Bob Baish called the May 10, 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 Tom Paul – present; Trustee Bill Barnes – present; Trustee Bob Baish – present; Trustee Doug Shreve – present. Trustee Ted Peszynski was absent.

Also in attendance were Chief Jon Stratton; Deputy Chief Vito Bonomo; Deputy Chief Mark Reynolds; Attorney John Motylinski; James Howard, Governmental Accounting; and Administrative Assistant Mary Jo Fazio.

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

**Correspondence** – Trustee Paul read thank you notes from Foster Coach; Wescom for honoring them for Telecommunicators Week; YMCA for our donation to the 2023 YMCA Gala and Braidwood Fire Protection District for assisting with a house fire.

A motion was made by Trustee Barnes to approve April 11, 2023, meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.

James Howard, 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 Barnes. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes - yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – 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 – Attorney John Motylinski updated the Board on the legislative bills that are being considered by the Illinois General Assembly.

A motion was made by Trustee Barnes to accept the Abstract of Votes from Will and Kendall County from the April 4, 2023, election for Doug Shreve to serve as Trustee for a 6-year term, 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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A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to keep the Officers of the Board of Trustees for a two-year term as follows: President – Bob Baish, Secretary – Tom Paul, Treasurer – Doug Shreve, Ted Peszynski – Trustee, Bill Barnes – Trustee. It was 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.

Deputy Chief Vito Bonomo reviewed the Pierce Enforcer Pumper proposal with the Board. He stated Pumper 1941 (currently in service) will be up for replacement in four years and the lead time for a new one from Pierce went from 38 months to 46.5 months. After a very lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to have the vehicle committee put together a bid packet for a new Pumper due to the long lead time and cost, seconded by Trustee Barnes. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.

Chief Stratton stated Todd's Towing has a used 1997 rescue squad we could purchase and use for both Hazmat and TRT incidents. He stated the Hazmat truck we currently have cannot hold all our equipment properly. The cost is \$55,500.00 with 8,000 miles on it. After some discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to purchase the truck from Todd's Towing, not to exceed \$55,500.00, 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.

Chief Stratton reviewed three quotes he received for a new forklift for the mechanics shop with the Board. One was a 2015 Toyota from ATP Equipment Exchange for \$39,450.00; the second was a 2017 Hyster from Access Lift Equipment for \$29,000.00 and the last one was a 2018 Yale from Chicago Lift Equipment for \$26,950.00. After a brief conversation, a motion was made by Trustee Paul to purchase the Yale forklift from Chicago Lift Equipment for \$26,950.00, 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.

Seeking Board consideration and a motion to surplus the reserve ambulance for possible sale. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Barnes to surplus the reserve ambulance for potential sale, seconded by Trustee Paul. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.

Seeking Board consideration and a motion to surplus the John Deer 5210 lawnmower for possible sale. A motion was made by Trustee Shreve to surplus the John Deer 5210 lawnmower to potentially sell it, seconded by Trustee Barnes. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Paul – yes; Trustee Barnes – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes. Motion carried.

Seeking Board consideration and a motion to surplus the Special Operations trailer for possible sale. After a short conversation, a motion was made by Trustee Shreve to surplus the Special Operations trailer for the potential sale, 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 April 2023 was \$120,151.82 from Andres Medical. Billing income for April 2023 from USA Fire Recovery was \$13,183.22. All other reports have been distributed for review.

Chief Stratton updated the Board on the following items:

• Commissioner Hartley's term will be up in June. If anyone is interested in the position, they should submit a letter of interest to Chief Stratton. Information is posted on our website.

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Deputy Chief Bonomo updated the Board on the following items:

- The new ambulance (1944) has been delivered. It will be inspected on May 11 and put into service after that.
- The second ambulance that was ordered is scheduled to be completed by March 2024.
- The Vehicle Committee will be meeting on Friday, May 12, 2023.
- The April call report.
- He informed the Board of the barn fire we recently responded to. He stated all crews did a good job on the scene.

**Committee Reports** – Nothing to report.

**Other 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 11:56 a.m., seconded by Trustee Paul. All in favor, motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, June 13, at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Paul, Secretary

Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant