

NEW LENOX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
February 16, 2021

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEW LENOX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COUNTY OF WILL, HELD AT FIRE STATION #1, 261 E. MAPLE STREET, NEW LENOX, ILLINOIS, IN SAID DISTRICT AT 7:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY THE 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2021.

Trustees Roll Call:

Trustee Minger	P
Trustee Sauter	P
Trustee Levey	p
Trustee DiFiori	p
Trustee McCollum	p

Others Present:

Attorney Meganne Trela, Chief Adam Riegel, Deputy Chief Dan Turner, Accountant James Howard, Marisa Schrieber, Battalion Chief Dennis Randolph, Lieutenant Brian Applegate, Brian Fischer.

The Tuesday meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report for January 31, 2021. As of January 1, 2021, the beginning balance was \$5,489,439.00. The total receipts were \$150,105.00. The total disbursements were (\$430,432.00). The total ending cash balance as of January 31, 2020, was \$5,209,113.00. The payroll for February 12, 2021 was (\$114,374.00). Accounts Payable for February 2021 total (\$382,468.00). Cash on Deposit as of February 15, 2021 is \$4,712,271.00.

A motion was made by Trustee McCollum seconded by Trustee Levey to approve the January Treasurer's report as given and pay the outstanding bills for this month.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee McCullum - Yea
Trustee Sauter – Yea
Trustee DiFiori – Yea
Trustee Levey – Yea
Trustee Minger - Yea

Motion carried with five (5) Yeas.

ACCOUNTANT REPORT

James Howard reported the Financial Analysis for the month of January 2021.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - By Trustee Levey

A motion was made by Trustee Sauter second by Trustee McCollum to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the New Lenox Fire Protection District on Monday, January 18, 2021.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee McCullum - Yea
Trustee Sauter – Yea
Trustee DiFiori – Yea
Trustee Levey – Yea
Trustee Minger - Yea

Motion carried with five (5) Yeas.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Vehicle report – Truck 61 has had the rear suspension issues fixed under warranty. Lance is working on a few other open work orders and hopes to have it back in service by the end of the week.

Facility report – The West Bay door at Station 1 had the anchors that hold the springs in place pull out of the wall. When the company came out to service the door, they found the concrete blocks above the door loose. BC Randolph is looking at a company to repair the damage and inspect the other doors.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT

The requests for service are up from this time last year, in 2020 we had 609 requests, and in 2021 we are at 637.

Life Safety Division - This year, the Life Safety Division is focusing their efforts within Station 1 and 3's areas. The LSD recently joined the ROE for their yearly inspection. District 122 received a perfect score which shows the great teamwork and efforts put into both the school and fire district. There are currently 26 buildings and/or tenant buildouts in various stages of construction in our district. The three biggest are the hospital addition, the addition to the hospital addition, and the U of C Cancer Center expansion. There were no false alarm fees billed from Fire Recovery USA for January 2021. Plan review fees for January 2021 were \$450.00. Land Extraction fees for January were \$1,810.83.

Fire and Life Safety Education –This month we launched a Hydrant Hero campaign asking residents to help clear snow around the hydrants. Those who participate will be getting a Dunkin' gift card or other NLFPD items. We also had NLCTV Channel 6 and the Herald News come to our training house to watch our crews do search and rescue training in a smoke-filled environment. Lt. Applegate spoke to the media and explained the process. The NLPD has a new Child Passenger Safety Technician that Marisa has been assisting with car seat installs until they are ready to do some on their own. There was a total of 23 events during the month of January, including CPR, car seat installs, smoke alarm installs and several webinars and meetings. For the month of January, our educational Facebook posts reached a total of 12,766 people. (In January, our total reach, including all posts was 22,503) Our Instagram monthly total reach for educational posts was 1,802. The total reach for the year is 2,648.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Ambulance Purchase

A motion was made by Trustee Sauter seconded by Trustee McCollum to approve the purchase of a new ambulance utilizing the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Program.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee McCullum - Yea
Trustee Sauter – Yea
Trustee DiFiori –Yea
Trustee Levey – Yea
Trustee Minger - Yea

Motion carried with five (5) Yeas.

B. Modification of Metro Contract

Discussed removing three contract spots from contract and moving those three spots to District employees to help bring in more paramedics due to statewide shortage.

A motion was made by Trustee Levey seconded by Trustee Sauter to approve modification of the Metro Contract.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee McCullum - Yea
Trustee Sauter – Yea
Trustee DiFiori –Yea
Trustee Levey – Yea
Trustee Minger - Yea

Motion carried with five (5) Yeas.

C. Hire three full-time firefighter/paramedics to District.

A motion was made by Trustee DiFiori seconded by Trustee Sauter to approve hiring of three full-time firefighter/paramedics to the District.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee McCullum - Yea
Trustee Sauter – Yea
Trustee DiFiori –Yea
Trustee Levey – Yea
Trustee Minger - Yea

Motion carried with five (5) Yeas.

D. Zoll AED's

Discussed purchase of two Zoll AED's to use in IDPH 1 year trial period.

A motion was made by Trustee Sauter seconded by Trustee DiFiori to approve purchase of two Zoll AED's.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee McCullum - Yea
Trustee Sauter – Yea
Trustee DiFiori –Yea
Trustee Levey – Yea
Trustee Minger - Yea

Motion carried with five (5) Yeas.

FIRE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Brian Fischer reported the commissioners February 11th and discussed background test for two candidates. Their next meeting is this February 22nd.

FOUNDATION REPORT

No report

Trustee McCollum would like to thank Linda Baaske for putting together the Foundation's donation list for everything they have purchased since its inception. Would like to discuss future of the foundation since there has been no meeting in the last year. In the last few meetings prior to the pandemic a Legacy Gift was discussed, he would like to see this move forward. Board is hoping the Foundation will be able to continue their good work moving forward. Trustees Sauter and McCollum will be reaching out the Tim Hartnell to see if he is interested in assisting with the Foundation again.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee DiFiori – Would like to apologize for being unavailable the last several months.

Trustee Levey – Thank you to the crews for their hard work dealing with COVID day in and day out, and all who go all out every day. The dedication of this district is at a level I truly admire.

Trustee McCollum –Everyone is doing an outstanding job this winter and all the efforts by the fire district and other village and township crews who have been working to keep our roads cleared and safe for travel.

Trustee Minger – Everyone has been doing a great job. I also want to thank Battalion Chief Dennis Randolph for assisting the VFW.

Trustee Sauter – I echo what Joe said and continue to applaud the effort by our crews.

ROLL CALL: Tuesday, March 15, 2021.

Trustee McCullum - Yea

Trustee Sauter – Yea

Trustee DiFiori – Yea

Trustee Levey – Yea

Trustee Minger - Yea

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held Monday, March 15, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Levey seconded by Trustee Sauter to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee McCullum - Yea

Trustee Sauter – Yea

Trustee DiFiori –Yea

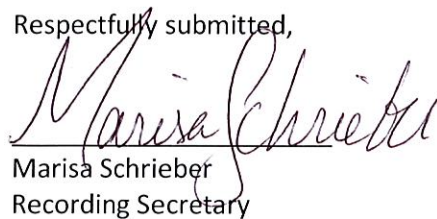
Trustee Levey – Yea

Trustee Minger - Yea

Motion carried with five (5) Yeas.

Motion carried, and meeting was adjourned 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Marisa Schrieber", written over a horizontal line.

Marisa Schrieber
Recording Secretary