

NEW LENOX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
AUGUST 20, 2018

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 MONDAY THE 20TH DAY OF AUGUST 2018.

Trustees Roll Call:

Trustee Minger	P
Trustee Sauter	P
Trustee Levey	P
Trustee DiFiori	A
Trustee McCollum	P

Others Present:

Chief Adam Riegel, Fire Marshal James Brown, Linda Baaske, Lt. Jeff Petschinsky, Lt. Ryan Hall, FF/Paramedic Joe Ward, Mr. Jim Pitcairn, Mr. Bob Fronek, Mr. Glen Krohn, Accountant Brad O'Sullivan.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report for July 31, 2018. As of July 1, 2018, the beginning balance was \$3,040,362.00. The total receipts were \$261,261.00. The total disbursements were (\$552,089.00). The total ending cash balance as of July 31, 2018, was \$2,749,804.00. The payroll for August 3, 2018 was \$73,827.00. Accounts Payable for August 2018 total \$224,913.00. Cash on Deposit as of August 20, 2018 is \$2,451,064.00.

Trustee Sauter stated that the 2017 annual Treasurer Report shows our revenue of \$6,510,238.00 and disbursements of \$7,936,904.00 with a deficiency of \$1,426,666.00. This clearly shows we need the referendum.

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

SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made by Trustee McCollum second by Trustee Sauter to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the New Lenox Fire Protection District on Monday July 16, 2018.

ACCOUNTANT REPORT

- Review July Treasurer's Report
- Review Annual Treasurer's Report for 2017

Trustee Levey commented to be clear we have 36 Firefighters on the Kurtz Contract and 12 on the District.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Vehicle Report

The ambulance that was involved in the accident on June 8th is still at the body shop having the frame replaced. They hope to have it returned to us in early September.

Truck 61 is back in service after being out of service for a month and a half due to the broken rear suspension.

Facility Report

Station 1 and 3's lots were seal coated this month.

The lighting update to the stations is complete. The total project cost \$41,808 and we were able to get a ComEd rebate of \$28,523.77 so the cost to the district was \$13,184.73. We should be able to recoup those costs in the first year due to the savings on the electrical bill.

Administration Report

There is a meeting coming up this week to start the closeout of Lincoln-way Dispatch and distribution of the assets that they have. I will have more information in the next few weeks as to the process. We are 344 calls above this time last year.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Marshal James Brown reported we have received \$4,760.00 in false alarm fees, \$11,707.50 in plan review fees and \$11,545.52 in land extraction fees. (all year to date).

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Authorize the Commission to fill the Vacancy of Battalion Chief & Lieutenant Positions.

A motion was made by Trustee Levey seconded by Trustee Sauter to Authorize the Commission to fill the Vacancy of Battalion Chief & Lieutenant Positions.

Motion carried with four (4) Yeas.

- B. Approve FY2017 Annual Treasurer Report

A motion was made by Trustee McCollum seconded by Trustee Levey to approve the FY2017 Annual Treasurer Report.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee DiFiori - Absent
Trustee Sauter – Yea
Trustee Levey – Yea
Trustee Minger – Yea
Trustee McCollum - Yea

Motion carried with four (4) Yeas.

FIRE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

- The I-Chiefs completed the testing process for Battalion Chief and Lieutenant and the Commission met to approve the merit points. The Temporary Promotion List was published. There is a ten (10) day waiting period for veteran's points to be submitted then the Permanent Promotion List will be posted. The final list will be posted August 28th.
- We did have one (1) call off and in lieu of payment already made to the I-Chief's they conducted exit conferences with each candidate, which they said was very helpful.

- The draw back with the I-Chief's is the written test. There were four (4) books to study for the test, one book alone was 400 pages. Nobody passed the written test. All four (4) BC candidates scored in the 50's when 70 was passing.
- With merit points given for education Michael Parkhurst is number one on the BC list and Zach Cook is number one on the LT list, beating out Joe Ward by twenty-one-hundredths of a point.

FOUNDATION REPORT

Trustee McCullum reported the Foundation had a meeting and approved the request from Jim Pitcairn to donate \$4,000.00 to the referendum campaign. They had another successful 50/50 raffle and raised \$1,653.00 thanks to the volunteers Joe Levey, Tom Sauter and foundation members. They had the Control Burn cook off with the maximum number of sponsors but not enough cooks. There were so many conflicts with the date they are looking to change the date next year.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Levey – I appreciate all the hard work that everyone is doing. I would like to thank the crews for doing a fine job, you are working a lot of days with not the best of equipment. And to the office staff for all your hard work and professionalism. Regarding the referendum state all the facts you can, there are self-serving people out there twisting the facts, don't engage in an argument refer to the facts.

Trustee Sauter – The Firefighters are doing an outstanding job protecting the citizens. As stated earlier the increase of land extraction fees and ambulance calls I hope the people understand that we can't continue to provide the service we do without passing the referendum.

Trustee DiFiori – Absent.

Trustee McCollum – Family Fun Day was really enjoyed by all. It was hot, but the kids really enjoyed it. Marisa did an outstanding job.

Trustee Minger – Thank everyone that helped with family fun day, I was under the weather and unable to attend. Thank you, Chicago Dough, for donating fifty (50) pizzas.

ROLL CALL: Monday September 17, 2018.

Trustee DiFiori - Absent

Trustee Sauter – Yea

Trustee Levey – Yea

Trustee Minger – Yea

Trustee McCollum - Yea

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held Monday, September 17, 2018.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Trustee Levey seconded by Trustee McCollum to enter closed session at 7:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee DiFiori - Absent

Trustee Sauter – Yea

Trustee Levey – Yea

Trustee Minger – Yea

Trustee McCollum - Yea

Motion carried, and board went into closed session at 7:32 pm.

OPEN SESSION – as reported by Trustee Levey

The Board of Trustees returned to open session at 7:58 p.m. with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee McCollum seconded by Trustee Levey to adjourn at 7:59 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee DiFiori - Absent

Trustee Sauter – Yea

Trustee Levey – Yea

Trustee Minger – Yea

Trustee McCollum – Yea

Motion carried, and meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Baaske

Recording Secretary