

Lisle-Woodridge Fire District
Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 20, 2014 5:30 p.m.
Station #51 / Headquarters 1005 School Street Lisle, IL

CALL TO ORDER

President Frank called the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lisle-Woodridge Fire District to order at 5:34 p.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2014, at Station #51 and Headquarters, 1005 School Street, Lisle, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

In attendance were President Frank, Vice President Lowe, Secretary Althoff, Treasurer Perry, Trustee Costin, Chief Freeman, Finance Director Beshears and Recording Secretary McClain. Also present: Deputy Chief Krestan, Deputy Chief Anderson, Bureau Chief French, Bureau Chief Spinazola, EMS Coordinator Weaver, Pension President Demas (5:37), Union President Capua, FFI Richardson, FM Croucher, FM Saylor, FM Ruffolo, LT. Till, FM Barnes, FM Brenn, LT Peterson, FM Barry, Captain Chmelik, FM Egan (5:37), FM Wezalis (5:37), and FM Gieser (5:52).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

MATTERS OF THE PUBLIC

President Frank thanked Union President Capua for his input at the last meeting suggesting the following four options to help reduce the budget deficit; reduce fund balances, consolidation, tax referendum and pension obligation bonds. President Frank stated that all options will be explored.

OLD BUSINESS

FY 2015 Draft Budget Documents

Finance Director Beshears distributed several financial documents to the Board. Finance Director Beshears explained the Delta Dental changes and fund balance projections. Trustee Perry asked that inquiries into co-ops such as IPPC for personal medical insurance be considered in March.

Chief Freeman referred to his packet memo and the overtime impact and reduction of fire companies beginning 1 January 15. Treasurer Perry was concerned with the impact of a brown-out on the ISO rating and details of the 7G areas that will be reduced. Chief replied that if this is a long term or permanent change, then we would be subject to a re-survey by ISO. Chief gave details of 7G reductions. Chief Freeman stated that this is a very difficult time and everyone will do everything possible to make it work.

Union President Capua addressed the Board and expressed his concern with jeopardizing firefighter safety. President Capua suggested covering the first person for overtime in the budget in order to move toward not taking the truck out of service. President Frank stated that we can certainly run the numbers. The sense of the Board is to look at all the options and choose those that have the least impact on personnel yet effectively reduce the deficit.

The Board directed staff to proceed with the budget and appropriation figures provided in the November 20th Board packet.

Bureau Chief French reported that he met with the Villages of Lisle and Woodridge regarding the Fire Prevention Intergovernmental Agreements. The Village of Lisle has a new Board and they are not looking at reducing fees, so it may not be in the District's best interest to open up the contract at this time. Two years ago, it was attempted to negotiate a new contract with the Village of Woodridge. Since that time there have been some changes in their staffing and their answer was that

they would look into this matter and get back to Bureau Chief French. The County does not want to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement because of the number of Fire agencies that they cover. Treasurer Perry asked Bureau Chief French to arrive at a figure for the revenue and expenses of the fire prevention bureau so that the Board can determine if this service is cost effective.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 6:28 p.m. Secretary Althoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice President Lowe seconded the motion. The motion carried by a voice vote with no dissension (5 ayes / 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Althoff
Secretary, Board of Trustees