

Lisle-Woodridge Fire District
Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 15, 2015 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 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 15, 2015, at Station #51 and Headquarters, 1005 School Street, Lisle, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

In attendance were President Frank, Vice President Lowe, Secretary Althoff (5:33), Treasurer Perry, Trustee Costin, Chief Freeman, Finance Director Beshears, Attorney Weiler, Attorney Flaherty and Recording Secretary McClain. Also present: Deputy Chief Krestan, Deputy Chief Anderson, Battalion Chief Johnson, Captain Johnsen, Union President Capua (5:48) and FM Croucher (5:48).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Attorney Flaherty led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MATTERS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Review, discuss, and/or take action on matters relative to the following:

Approve Purchase Order 15ENC001

Chief Freeman explained that this is the last of three ambulances previously approved to be re-mounted.

Treasurer Perry made a motion to approve purchase order 15ENC001 as presented, Vice President Lowe seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote (5 ayes – Perry, Lowe, Costin, Althoff, Frank / 0 nays).

Approve Accounts Payable Batch 15API001

Treasurer Perry made a motion to approve accounts payable batch 15API001 as presented, Secretary Althoff seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote (5 ayes – Perry, Althoff, Costin, Lowe, Frank / 0 nays).

Joint Representation of LWFD and CMF

The Board agreed to discuss this item in closed session.

Strategic Planning Process

Deputy Chief Krestan reported that he has been in contact with Craig Rapp of NIU Governmental Affairs regarding the long-term strategic plan. Depending on the process that is used, the cost ranges from \$5,000.00 - \$10,000.00. Deputy Chief Krestan is currently looking at the format other Fire Districts have used for their strategic plans. As information is received it will be placed in SugarSync. Mr. Rapp will be at the next Board meeting to provide his proposal. The Board requested Mr. Rapp include several options and outline the scope in his proposal. The Board discussed what direction they expect the District to take.

Chief Freeman asked the Board first to put aside the issue of a change in leadership: the Chief is still the Chief. He emphasized that Staff needs to get specific, consistent direction from the Board of Trustees in order to move forward. President Frank would like to see the experts come in and provide the scope and give direction to the Board regarding the long-term strategic plan.

Chief Freeman went over the report that was provided to the Board addressing District Operational procedures and the changes that are occurring today. Chief Freeman explained that we have incorporated major daily operational changes beginning January 1, 2015. It may take some time for the long term strategic plan to be crafted to incorporate these operational changes that are taking place right now. The Board agreed that they have to move quickly and would hope to be provided enough information to make a decision at the next meeting.

Trustee Items for Discussion

Secretary Althoff reported that the TIF Joint Review Board met last week and passed unanimously to move forward with the TIF. This building is in the TIF and it is expected that compensation would be available to the Fire District if, in fact, we had to move. A specific dollar amount was not available. This now goes to the Village Board on January 19, 2015.

President's Report

President Frank will need to take the Open Meetings Training in 2015.

CHIEFS REPORT

Nothing further to report.

CLOSED SESSION

At 6:17 p.m. Secretary Althoff made a motion to go into closed session to discuss pending, probable and imminent litigation (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 11), collective negotiating matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 2) and appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1), Trustee Costin seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote (5 ayes – Althoff, Costin, Perry, Lowe, Frank / 0 nays).

Having taken no action in closed session, President Frank reconvened the open portion of the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Present were President Frank, Vice President Lowe, Secretary Althoff, Treasurer Perry, Trustee Costin, Chief Freeman, Finance Director Beshears, Deputy Chief Krestan, Deputy Chief Anderson, Attorney Flaherty, Attorney Weiler and Recording Secretary McClain.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 7:39 p.m. Vice President Lowe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Perry 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