

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE DARIEN-WOODRIDGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The Board of Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District regular monthly meeting was held at Station One located at 7550 Lyman Avenue, Darien, Illinois, 60561 on August 16, 2006.

Members present:

Mr. Jack Mancione, President
Mr. Robert Klein, Secretary
Mr. Frank Burns, Treasurer
Mr. George Nelson, Trustee
Mr. Thomas Cameli, Trustee
Chief Administrator R. Tinucci
Ms. Kathy Trapp, Recording Secretary

Workshop called to order at 6:15 p.m. Roll call: Frank Burns, present; George Nelson, present; Thomas Cameli, present; Robert Klein, present; Jack Mancione, present. It was determined that a quorum was present. Item 8C Consideration of the Budget & Appropriations Ordinance was added to the agenda.

President Mancione opened a public hearing for the Budget & Appropriations Ordinance at 6:30 p.m. The notice of the public hearing was read as appeared in the Liberty Suburban Newspapers. With no public comments, President Mancione closed the public hearing.

At 6:33 p.m., President Mancione called the regular meeting to order. Roll Call: Frank Burns, present; Thomas Cameli, present; George Nelson, present; Robert Klein, present; Jack Mancione, present. Kathy Trapp was the recording secretary.

Reading of Minutes:

President Mancione requested a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the July 18, 2006 regular business meeting and approve them as written. George Nelson so moved. Robert Klein seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, aye; George Nelson, aye; Frank Burns, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Approved.

President Mancione requested a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on August 8, 2006. George Nelson so moved. Frank Burns seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, abstain; George Nelson, aye; Frank Burns, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention. Approved.

President Mancione advised those present to strike Item 12 from their agenda. There would be no closed session.

Treasurer's Report:

Frank Burns read the July Treasurer's Report that included vendors and payroll. President Mancione requested a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as written. George Nelson so moved. Robert Klein seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, aye; Frank Burns, aye; George Nelson, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Approved.

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President Mancione requested a motion to approve disbursements including payroll for a total of \$442,194. Robert Klein so moved. Jack Mancione seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, aye; Frank Burns, aye; George Nelson, aye; Robert Klein, abstain; Jack Mancione, aye. 4 ayes, 0 nays. 1 abstention. Approved.

Attorney's Report:

Attorney Broida no report.

Old Business:

- A. **November 2006 Referendum Consideration** – Chief Administrator Tinucci asked the board to further consider a possible referendum in November of 2006. He advised that in order to adhere to filing deadlines, it is necessary to make a determination as to whether or not we should place a bond issue on the November ballot. After a lengthy discussion, the board agreed that a referendum must be placed on the November ballot. Frank Burns moved to put a referendum on the ballot for November. George Nelson seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, nay; Frank Burns, aye; George Nelson, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 4 ayes, 1 nay. Approved.

Attorney Broida suggested that in the interest of timely filing of the paperwork for the referendum, there should be a motion to execute the documents he prepares. President Mancione requested a motion to authorize and direct the officers of the board to execute the necessary documents necessary for the referendum in order to submit them to the proper officials at the proper time. Frank Burns so moved. George Nelson seconded. The board then discussed what type of referendum to have a tax increase or a bond issue.

There was a ten-minute recess at 7:35 p.m. The regular meeting resumed at 7:45 p.m.

Discussion continued on referendum issues. President Mancione asked Trustee Burns to withdraw his motion. Trustee Burns withdrew his motion, and Trustee Nelson withdrew his second.

President Mancione requested a motion that the board approves the submittal of a referendum to the public at the November general election to determine whether or not the district will be authorized to issue bonds to retire debt and for the purpose of purchasing apparatus and equipment; and that the attorney for the board is authorized and directed to prepare the resolution and necessary paperwork; and the officers of the board are authorized and directed to sign that paperwork as it is prepared so that it may be filed with the board of elections; and further that the Chief Administrator consult with Eric Anderson at Harris Bank to determine the dollar amount necessary to pay off the debt to Harris Bank to which approximately \$1.5 million will be added so there will be a rounded out number to submit on the ballot. Frank Burns so moved. George Nelson seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, nay; Frank Burns, aye; George Nelson, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 4 ayes, 1 nay. Approved.

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New Business:

- A. Resolution 06-R-2, Recognition of B/C Peter M. Novy** - President Mancione requested a motion to approve Resolution 06-R-2, Recognition of B/C Peter M. Novy on his retirement from the Darien-Woodridge Fire District. Thomas Cameli so moved. Frank Burns seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, aye; Frank Burns, aye; George Nelson, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Approved.
- B. Public Information Consultant, Review Proposal for Consideration** – Trustee Burns spoke about the last referendum and how he and Chief Administrator Tinucci created the communications materials, dealt with the press, union and community meetings with the ultimate results being unsuccessful. Mr. Burns suggested the district needs assistance in preparing for a referendum and moved to retain consultant Robert Jenkins to advise the district in this matter. Robert Klein seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, nay; Frank Burns, aye; George Nelson, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 4 ayes, 1 nay. Approved.
- C. Proposed Budget & Appropriation Ordinance No. 06-0-1** – President Mancione requested a motion to approve Budget & Appropriation Ordinance No. 06-0-1. Robert Klein so moved. Frank Burns seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, nay; Frank Burns, aye; George Nelson, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 4 ayes, 1 nay. Approved.

Correspondence:

An overview was given by Chief Administrator Tinucci.

Chief Administrator's Report:

Chief Administrator Tinucci gave an overview of his written report.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

President Mancione requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert Klein so moved. Frank Burns seconded. Roll call vote: Thomas Cameli, aye; Frank Burns, aye; George Nelson, aye; Robert Klein, aye; Jack Mancione, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.



Robert G. Klein, Secretary