

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

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District was held at Station 89 located at 7550 Lyman Avenue, Darien, Illinois on November 10, 2021.

Board Members:

Mr. James Palatine, President	Chief Steven Gorsky
Ms. Kathy Trapp, Treasurer	Deputy Chief James Karasek
Mr. Christopher English, Secretary	Ms. Randa Firlit, Recording Secretary
Mr. Frank Burns, Trustee	Attorney Ronald Broida
Ms. Beth Brownson, Trustee	

At 6:30 p.m. Trustee Palatine called the regular meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Roll call: James Palatine present, Frank Burns absent, Christopher English present, Kathy Trapp present, Trustee Beth Brownson present. It was determined that a quorum was present.

Reading of Minutes:

Trustee Palatine requested a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the October 20, 2021 regular meeting and approve them as written. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, abstain; Trustee Brownson, aye.
3 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain. Approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Trustee Trapp read the October's Treasurer's Report which included vendors paid report and payroll. Trustee Palatine requested a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as written. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.
4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Trustee Palatine requested a motion to approve disbursements including payroll for a total of \$836,624. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.
4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Attorney Report:

Attorney Broida informed the Board that his office is working on preparation of the Levy Ordinance for next month's regular meeting. Attorney Broida also informed the Board that effective January 1, 2022, he will take on Senior Status with his firm and Attorney Joe Nichele will be the District's main point of contact.

Old Business:

- a) Trustee Palatine briefly discussed the updated Proposed Agreement between the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District and FGM Architects, Inc. Trustee Palatine requested a motion to discuss and approve the Proposed Agreement between the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District and FGM Architects, Inc. Trustee Brownson so

moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.
4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

New Business:

- a) Trustee Palatine requested a motion to appoint Deputy Chief James Karasek as Fire Chief effective November 23, 2021. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.
4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.
- b) Trustee Palatine requested a motion to discuss and approve the Annual Financial Report for the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.
4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.
- c) Trustee Palatine requested a motion to approve Deputy Chief James Karasek's employee agreement for the position of Fire Chief of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.
4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.
- d) Trustee Palatine requested a motion to approve Deputy Chief Jimmy Lahanis' employee agreement for the position of Deputy Chief of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.
4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Correspondence:

- a) Announcement for the DWFD Promotions being held on November 29, 2021. Lt Jamie Tunk, Lt Brian Isley and Lt Vince Phillips will be promoted to Battalion Chief. FF/PM Michael Schleich will be promoted to Lieutenant.

Chief Administrator's Report:

Overview was given by Chief Gorsky.

Board of Fire Commissioners Report:

Fire Commissioner Ed Cryer gave a brief overview of current events, meetings and training, to include firefighter hiring status.

Public Comment:

There was no Public Comment.

Closed Session:

There was no closed session.

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Adjourn:

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Palatine requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.



Christopher English, Secretary