

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 September 15, 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 present, Christopher English absent, Kathy Trapp absent, Trustee Beth Brownson present. It was determined that a quorum was present.

Trustee Palatine requested for an Acting Treasurer. Trustee Burns volunteered to be Acting Treasurer in the absence of Trustee Trapp.

Trustee Palatine requested for an Acting Secretary. Trustee Brownson volunteered to be Acting Secretary in the absence of Trustee English.

**Reading of Minutes:**

Trustee Palatine requested a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the August 18, 2021 regular meeting and approve them as written. Trustee Burns so moved. Trustee Brownson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Trustee Palatine requested a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Combined Pension and Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District Board of Trustees Meeting held August 20, 2021 and approve them as written. Trustee Burns so moved. Trustee Brownson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Trustee Burns read the August'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 Palatine seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Trustee Palatine requested a motion to approve disbursements including payroll for a total of \$638,711. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee Palatine seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

**Attorney Report:**

Attorney Nichele informed the Board the updated negotiation status with FGM Architects is

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ongoing and is with the architects at this time. As soon as they get back to the attorney's office, the attorney will forward the contract to the Board for review / approval. Attorney Nichele also informed the Board that there would be need for Closed Session to update the Board about Personnel Issues.

**Old Business:**

- No old business.

**New Business:**

- No new business.

**Correspondence:**

- a) Thank you letter from Romeoville Fire Department for Darien-Woodridge Fire's mutual aid response to a structure fire on August 18, 2021.

**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:**

Trustee Palatine requested a motion to recess to Closed Session to discuss personnel issues. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee Burns seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

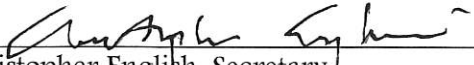
Meeting recessed at 6:45 p.m.

The regular meeting was reconvened at 6:55 p.m. Roll call: James Palatine present, Frank Burns present, Christopher English absent, Kathy Trapp absent, Trustee Beth Brownson present. It was determined that a quorum was present.

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Palatine requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Brownson so moved. Trustee Burns seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Brownson, aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

  
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Christopher English, Secretary