Darien-Woodridge Fire District Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes January 15, 2020

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 January 15, 2020.

Board Members:

Mr. James Palatine, President

Ms. Joan Wayman, Secretary

Ms. Kathy Trapp, Treasurer

Mr. Frank Burns

Mr. Christopher English

Chief Steven Gorsky

Deputy Chief James Karasek

Ms. Randa Hanna, Recording Secretary

Attorney Ronald Broida

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, Joan Wayman present, Christopher English present, Kathy Trapp 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 December 9, 2019 meeting and approve them as written. Trustee Wayman so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Wayman, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Trustee Trapp read the December'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 Wayman so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Wayman, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Trustee Palatine requested a motion to approve disbursements including payroll for a total of \$691,251. Trustee Wayman so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Wayman, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye.

5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Attorney Report:

Attorney Broida informed the Board of that he collected information from Chief Gorsky regarding the preliminary response to the 2018 Tax Rate Objection filed by certain tax payers of the District. Attorney Broida suggested the next step is to meet with Chief Gorsky and the auditor to devise a strategy.

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Old Business:

a) Chief Gorsky briefly informed the Board that the appraiser came out to Station 88 to begin the process of appraising the building.

New Business:

- a) Trustee Palatine requested a motion to release the Closed Session Minutes of the following, but no others at this time:
 - September 25, 2019
 - October 16, 2019
 - October 28, 2019
 - October 30, 2019

Trustee Palatine so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Wayman, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

- b) Chief Gorsky presented and requested for Capital Expenditure to purchase a new ambulance, not to exceed \$298,000. Trustee Palatine requested a motion to approve the purchase of an ambulance no to exceed \$298,000. Trustee Wayman so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Wayman, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.
- c) Chief Gorsky requested to declare Shop 122, 2006 Medtec Ambulance surplus for a \$5,000 credit towards the purchase of the new ambulance. Trustee Palatine requested a motion to approve the 2006 Medtec Ambulance as surplus. Trustee Wayman so moved. Trustee English seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Palatine, aye; Trustee Burns, aye; Trustee Wayman, aye; Trustee English, aye; Trustee Trapp, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.
- d) Chief Gorsky made the Board aware that a Bond Referendum Committee / Task Force Committee was to begin meeting and start the planning process for the Referendum.

Correspondence:

No correspondence

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.

Public Comment:

There was no Public Comment.

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Closed Session:

There was no Closed Session.

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

5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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