

GODFREY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On July 27, 2021, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Godfrey Fire Protection District was held at 7:00 p.m. at 3014A Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Illinois. The meeting was held pursuant to a change in date which was the subject of a published notice and it was held at the foregoing location due to the closure of the Liberty Bank Community Room which is the regular meeting location for the Board of Trustees.

In attendance were Trustees Fischer, Horn, and Ford. Also present were Fire Commissioners Cox, Clemons, and Sherman; Department members Hamburg, Estes, and Farmer; and District legal counsel Livingstone. Fire Chief Cranmer was absent.

The Chair first opened the public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. The Chair afforded members of the public opportunity to address the Board regarding the Ordinance. There was no public participation. Thereafter, a motion was made by Mr. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Horn, and unanimously approved to adopt and approve Ordinance No. 2021-01 being the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance.

The Chair next called for presentation and approval of the prior meeting's minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Horn, and unanimously approved to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on July 23, 2021 as presented.

The meeting next turned to the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Fischer reported that the General-Emergency & Rescue-FICA/Medicare-Audit-Insurance Fund had a cash on hand balance at June 1, 2021 of \$619,927.00; that there were receipts by that fund during the month of June of \$119,183.74; and that disbursements during the month from that fund totaled \$112,232.93 leaving a balance at June 30, 2021 in that fund of \$626,877.81. The Treasurer reported that the Audit Fund had a balance of \$93,669.98 and the Insurance Fund had a balance of \$573,256.90 for a total funds on hand at May 31, 2021 of \$1,293,804.69. Thereafter, a motion was made by Mr. Horn, seconded by Mr. Fischer, and unanimously approved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

The meeting next turned to payment of bills. A motion was made by Mr. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Horn, and unanimously approved, to pay the District's bills as same come due during the regular course of business in accordance with the bill payment procedure of the District.

The Board next took up discussion of matters incident to the bond issue including the depositories to be used for the bond proceeds. Mr. Fischer reported that the transfer of funds has been completed and the bond proceeds have been received. The funds were placed in three separate accounts Carrollton Bank, CNB Bank & Trust, and Liberty Bank, with \$187,625 being held separately with Liberty Bank as the debt service account.

The meeting next turned to the Board of Fire Commissioners' Report. Mr. Sherman reported that the Commission was unable to meet due to an agenda posting error, but the Commission has scheduled a special meeting for Friday, July 30, 2021 at 11:00AM.

The meeting next turned to the President's Report. Mr. Ford had no report.

The meeting next turned to the Fire Chief's Report. The Chief's written report was available in the usual manner, but because the Chief was absent there was no oral report to the Board. Mr. Fischer noted that the Chief had completed and submitted the paperwork to Phillips 66 for reimbursement for expenses from the hazmat incident.

The Chief's Report indicated that he has developed new standard operating procedures for daily work uniforms; self-contained breathing apparatus training; and slips, trips, and fall safety procedures. These were contained in the Board packet and it was noted that the last SOP had been requested by Illinois Public Risk Fund.

The meeting next turned to the Attorney's Report. The attorney had no report.

The meeting next turned to public comments. Mr. Hamburg commented that Mr. McBride is in chemotherapy again, and he asked that everyone keep Mr. McBride in their thoughts.

The meeting next turned to other business.

The first item of business to come before the meeting under other business was the Station No. 2 maintenance and repairs. Mr. Estes was directed to obtain specifications from the contractor with whom he spoke about the Station 2 roof and forward them to the District's legal counsel for review and preparation of a bid notice. Legal counsel provided Mr. Estes with his email address.

It was noted that matters involving the 2021 bond issue had been dealt with earlier in the meeting.

There was no discussion regarding the HiWay House Property and Station Project and Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Godfrey.

It was reported that discussions with the Architect on the new fire station are ongoing.

There was no discussion regarding the Construction Management Services for the New Fire Station.


The Board next turned to the discussion of the replacement of Unit 1400. The lowest responsible bid was from Thomas in Indiana for a Durango at \$30,785, which was the lowest by several hundred. It was noted that these trucks are already in production and have an expected delivery in late October or November. On Motion made by Mr. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Horn, and unanimously approved the bid from Thomas in Indiana for a Durango for \$30,785.00 was accepted.

The meeting next turned to the good of the order. There was no report.

The meeting next turned to union negotiation matters and a motion was made by Mr. Horn, seconded by Mr. Fischer, and unanimously approved to enter closed session to discuss collective bargaining matters pursuant to Section 2 (c)(1)(2) of the Open Meetings Act.

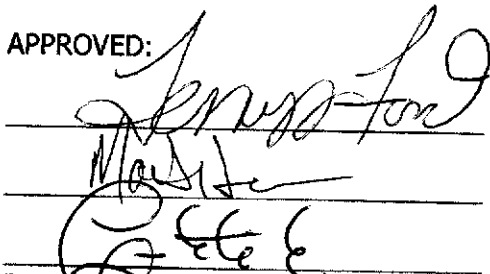
Following the conclusion of the closed session, upon motion of Mr. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Horn, and unanimously approved the meeting returned to open session. It was reported that during the closed session no action had been taken, however, there was discussion of collective bargaining matters and the Fire Chief's Employment Contract.

Thereafter, there being no further, or other, matters to come before the Board, upon motion of Mr. Horn, seconded by Mr. Fischer, and unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.



Gerard Fischer, Secretary of the Board of Trustees

APPROVED:



Being all of the Trustees of the Godfrey Fire Protection District