

GODFREY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

On January 28, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Godfrey Fire Protection District held a special meeting at 4:00 p.m. at Fire Station No. 1, 1611 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Illinois and by video conference through Zoom pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act.

Present for the meeting were Trustees Fischer, Ford, and Rynders. Fire Chief Cranmer; Mr. Ron Wright; Ms. Elizabeth Arway; Ms. Jennifer Volk; and Mr. Thomas Crabtree of Stifel were present. Legal counsel for the District was present.

Mr. Ford noted at the beginning of the meeting that he had made a determination that holding the meeting via remote means was appropriate given the current pandemic conditions in the community pursuant to the Public Health Disaster Declaration and provisions of Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act.

Chair first called for public comments. There were no public comments.

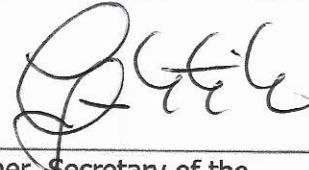
The Chair noted that there were no minutes available at this time for approval from prior meetings.

The meeting next turned to a discussion regarding the 2021 bond issue proposition and related matters. Mr. Ford recognized Mr. Crabtree who introduced representatives of Creative Entourage to the Board and Chief. The meeting heard from Ms. Volk, Mr. Wright, and Ms. Arway regarding the services which could be provided in connection with the pending bond issue to inform the community regarding the purpose of the bond issue. Their services to the District would be limited to providing only informational materials through various media and would not be directed to the advocacy of the bond issue. They explained that a separate advocacy effort would be required to campaign for passage which would be outside the scope of their firm's services for the District and would be undertaken by a separate campaign committee that would advocate for the bond issue and be funded without contribution from or use of District funds. They confirmed that their firm could assist such a campaign committee by a separate engagement. Mr. Wright gave a background report on his experience and that of the firm. Views were exchanged regarding the approach to be taken, and the representatives of Creative Entourage explained how it typically works for a unit of local government in handling propositions of this type. Discussions regarding financial arrangements for printing and postage were discussed. Use of social media and dealing with social media postings were discussed. The Chief and Trustees provided information to the Creative Entourage representatives

regarding the Fire Protection District and the Fire Department. There was discussion regarding the formation of a campaign committee and how that would be handled. It was agreed that Mr. Ford and Chief Cranmer would work with the Creative Entourage personnel to provide them with information needed to prepare the informational program regarding the bond issue. It was the consensus that Mr. Fisher would work forward on the establishment of a separate campaign committee which would involve members of the community to be funded outside the District.

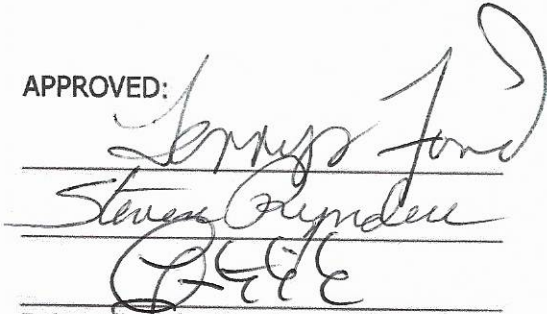
Going forward, it was agreed that Chief Cranmer would be the contact with Creative Entourage for the District and contact information was exchanged.

There being no further, or other, business to come before the meeting, upon motion of Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Ford, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.



Gerard Fischer, Secretary of the
Board of Trustees

APPROVED:



Being all of the Trustees of the
Godfrey Fire Protection District