

GODFREY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On November 27, 2017, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Godfrey Fire Protection District was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room at Liberty Bank, 3112 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Illinois pursuant to the regular meeting schedule of the Board.

Attending the meeting were Trustees Rynders, Ford, and Hand. Fire Commissioners Sherman and Clemons, Fire Chief Kambarian, members of the Fire Department, members of the public, and legal counsel for the District were also present.

The Chair first called upon the Fire Chief who recognized Firefighter Association President Mike Lair for his efforts that day in saving a house in connection with a fire call. Mr. Lair was also recognized to report to the Board that the point allocation had been settled at a meeting of the paid on call firefighters the prior Tuesday.

The Chair next called for presentation of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on October 23, 2017 and upon motion of Mr. Hand, seconded by Mr. Ford, and unanimously approved, the minutes were approved as presented.

The Chair next called upon the Treasurer for his report. The Treasurer presented the Financial Statement of the District which reflected that in the General-Emergency & Rescue-FICA/Medicare-Audit-Insurance Funds at October 1, 2017 there was cash on hand of \$825,544.18; there were receipts during the month of \$335,672.35; and there were disbursements during the month of \$172,864.02 leaving a balance at October 31, 2017 of \$988,352.51. The Financial Statement also reflected the Cash on Hand Distribution Report and the Fund Designation Report. The Treasurer also reported that the Board packet contained the October 2017 Expenditure Report by budget line item; the Financial Statement for the Pension Fund as of October 31, 2017; the Tax Receipts Summary and Disbursements Report through October 16, 2017; the Receipts & Disbursements YTD Comparison Report for October 2017; the Detail-Receipts & Disbursements Report for October 2017; the Carrollton Bank Money Market

(BLDG) Reconciliation Summary for the period ending October 31, 2017; the Carrollton Bank Money Market Account Statement dated October 31, 2017; the Liberty Bank Reconciliation Summary for the period ending October 31, 2017; the Reconciliation Detail Report for the Liberty Bank Checking Account for the period ending October 31, 2017; the Bank Reconciliation Report for the Illinois Funds Account for the month ending October 31, 2017; the Investor's Statement for the Illinois Funds Account for the period October 1, 2017 through October 31, 2017; and the Liberty Bank Checking Account Statement dated October 31, 2017. A motion was made by Mr. Hand, seconded by Mr. Ford, and unanimously approved, to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

The meeting next turned to payment of bills and a motion was made by Mr. Hand, seconded by Mr. Ford, and unanimously approved, to approve payment of the District's bills as same come due in the in the ordinary course of business in accordance with the usual bill payment procedure of the District.

The Treasurer noted that a check in the amount of approximately \$19,000.00 had been received for Foreign Fire Tax receipts and that these funds had been remitted to the Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Committee in accordance with applicable law.

The meeting next turned to the Board of Fire Commissioners Report. Mr. Sherman advised there was no report.

The meeting next turned to the President's Report. The President noted that several local legislators, including Representative Beiser and Senator Haine, would not be returning to the legislature following the end of the current session. He suggested that an effort be made by the District to become acquainted with candidates for these positions.

The Chair next called upon the Fire Chief for his report. The Chief presented his report in written form in the usual manner.

The Chief reported that there was one fire call in October, but a total of 145 calls for the month.

Under personnel, the Chief recognized POC Firefighter Nick Dawdy as the recipient of the Optimist Club First Responder Award. The Chief advised that three

POC applicants were selected for the 2018 class and they are currently scheduled for medical examinations. The Chief reported that there will be a significant increase in the out of pocket monthly premium expense for dependent health insurance coverage under the District's health insurance plan.

Turning to Stations/Apparatus/Equipment, the Chief reported that Unit 1412 is now scheduled to depart the District on January 15, 2018 for frame rail repairs. He noted that Unit 1422 is currently at Mike's for repairs; that Unit 1410 is leaking air; and that Unit 1412 has a ladder rack which is not operational.

Under Grants/Revenue/Donations, the Chief advised that the District is awaiting payment from Cardinal Logistics for a diesel spill call in the approximate amount of \$3,300.00.

Under Business Inspections, the Chief reported that the 2017 inspections are nearly completed.

Under Special Notes and Requests, the Chief expressed thanks to the Vest Family for making burn training possible by the donation of a residence at 1415 West Delmar Avenue for several training events. He also thanked the Wood River Fire Department for bringing their UHP truck to the trainings.

The Chief requested approval for up to \$1,500.00 for a health/wellness program to be implemented in 2018. He advised that the firefighter's union may also be willing to participate in this expense. The Chief also requested that the District's SCBA bottles be hydrotested before 2018 and he advised that Fire Safety, Inc. will do this for \$34.00 per bottle with a total cost of approximately \$1,800.00.

In response to a question, the Chief reviewed the status of the paid on call applications for the 2018 class.

There followed a discussion regarding the proposal for a wellness program. There was a discussion regarding the Chief's proposal to use an online program which would address diet and exercise. There was a discussion regarding other alternatives for the program and it was requested by the Board that this matter be placed on the agenda for the following month for further information to be provided.

A motion was made by Mr. Ford, seconded by Mr. Hand, to proceed with air bottle testing and in that regard for the purchase of ten new air bottle and a sale of the excess bottles which would result from that purchase with all bottles being tested in order to qualify them for use and for sale to a third party.

The meeting next turned to the Attorney's Report. There was no report.

The meeting next turned to public comments. There were no public comments.

The meeting next turned to old business. There was a brief comment regarding the Station No. 1 floor repairs. It was noted they have been completed and that there were no electrical problems.

The meeting next turned to new business.

The first item of new business involved discussion of a replacement vehicle for Unit 1412 which will be leaving for frame rail repairs. The Chief reviewed with the Board materials which had been gathered regarding the possible purchase of a used vehicle. There was discussion regarding acquiring an ultrahigh pressure replacement unit for one of the brush trucks as a possible alternative. Costs and limitations of the UHP unit approach were discussed. It was agreed that Mr. Hamburg would be requested to sort out the various alternatives and provide advice as to how a UHP unit could best be used in the short run. There was discussion regarding alternatives to acquire an additional pumper. Rental of a unit was discussed as well as possible arrangements with a neighboring fire department for use of a vehicle.

The Board next turned to consideration of travel expenses in connection with the apparatus acquisition which may be required and it was agreed that this would be deferred until there is an actual truck under consideration.

Turning to the Good of the Order, it was noted that there were be participation in the ABOB program.

The meeting next turned to personnel matters. It was noted there were no personnel matters to take up.

There being no further, or other, business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned.

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Terry L. Ford, Secretary of the  
Board of Trustees

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Being all of the Trustees of the  
Godfrey Fire Protection District