



TRI-STATE

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE TRI-STATE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT HELD 20, JUNE 2016
AT DISTRICT #3.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1830 hours by Trustee Habercoss. On roll call, Trustee Habercoss, Trustee Wolski, Trustee Jewell, Acting Chief Brenn, Attorney Wargo, Attorney Ottosen and Admin Asst Radek.
Pledge of Allegiance

II. MINUTES

Trustee Habercoss made a motion to accept the minutes from 17, May 2016, Trustee Wolski seconded the motion. Motion approved 2-0-1.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

Trustee's Wolski and Habercoss asked to table the approval of the treasurer's report as they have not had time to review the report.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Resolution authorizing Tri-State Fire Protection district to enter into an IGA with the Village of Addison for the leasing of our dispatch facility for police and fire dispatching until the new facility in Addison is built. Trustee Habercoss made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-R-007 pending attorney approval, motion seconded by Trustee Jewell. Motion approved by roll call vote, Habercoss – Aye, Wolski – Aye, Jewell – Aye. 3-0-0.

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Les Peach from the Horton Group presented our renewal package for vehicle and building coverage. Discussions regarding an increase in our rates due to the increase of our claims. It was suggested to increase our deductibles as the current deductibles are extremely low causing an increase in premiums. If Tri-State can have a claim free year, our insurance rates should show a dramatic decrease for FY 18.

Trustee Habercoss made a motion to approve an Ordinance to bill for open burning and nuisance fires and setting fees for such violations. Trustee Jewell seconded the motion. Motion approved by roll call vote, Habercoss – aye, Jewell – Aye, Wolski – Aye. 3-0-0.

Trustee Habercoss made a motion to approve a resolution to approve and ratify execution of the settlement agreement between the District and former employee Lisa Panock. Trustee Wolski seconded the motion, Motion approved by roll call vote, Habercoss – Aye, Jewell – Aye, Wolski – Aye, 3-0-0.

Trustee Habercoss made a motion to approve a letter of intent to participate in the DuPage Judicial Information System. It is a 2-year commitment with police absorbing a large portion of the cost. Fire will pay for connection \$ 38,000/4. CAD will work with alerting service. Trustee Jewell seconded the motion. Motion approved by roll call vote, Habercoss – aye, Wolski – Aye, Jewell – aye. 3-0-0.

V. COMMUNICATIONS

In the packets

VI. COMMISSIONERS

We have hired or are in the process of hiring out 6th new employee. The Deputy Chief exam will take place on June 28th. Workshops for the upcoming Lieutenant exam will take place on July 7th & 8th. July 14th, candidate review. September 14th will be the written exam.

The Commissioners July 12th meeting has been rescheduled for July 11th, 2016.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Willow Springs – Cook County to extend tax extension money in fall of 2017.

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We received the final copy of the Plante-Moran audit. The audit revealed some maintenance issues, easement, access issues, equipment issues, boat, ambulance, air-packs, gear to Cancun. Suggestions of replacing bad practices and provide good recommendations. Trustee Habercoss made a motion to hire Plante-Moran as our new auditing firm, Trustee Wolski seconded the motion. Motion approved by roll call vote, Habercoss – Aye, Wolski – Aye, Jewell – aye. 3-0-0.

We will be hiring audit firm – Plante-Moran, need to get a contract.

VIII. ATTORNEY REPORT

Deputy Chief testing – 1 participant to be discussed in closed session.

Sick Leave buy back review to be tabled until July.

IX. CHIEF'S REPORT

June 28th there will be an Assessment Center, oral interviews

May 31 we had a roof collapse, June 2 a CO2 leak from a hot water tank. June 15 a garage fire and today a man fell 50 feet to his death.

Our IT system has been upgraded and today is FF Gary Steadman's 1st day.

521 is going to be on display at the Illinois Fire District Conference

ACDC now has Westmont, Bensenville Itasca and Wooddale in addition to Tri-State and Pleasantview.

X. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Timberlake resident John Curcio questioned why we are holding off on a 5 man board for Tri-State. The board feels the Willow Springs residents need time to familiarize themselves with Tri-State and they should have the opportunity to get their names on the ballot and we felt November was too soon. The current board is working well together and will revisit a need for a 5 man board down the road. The attorney reminded everyone that the citizens have the ability to put it on the ballot.

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Closed session.

At 1800 hours Trustee Habercoss made a motion to move to closed session. Motion seconded by Trustee Wolski, motion approved by roll call vote, Habercoss – Aye, Wolski – aye, Jewell – Aye. 3-0-0.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Jewell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.