



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 17, OCTOBER 2016
AT DISTRICT #3.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1730 hours by Trustee Habercoss. On roll call: Trustee Habercoss, Trustee Wolski, Trustee Jewell, Chief Niemeyer, Attorney Ottosen, Attorney Wargo, Patrick Brenn and Adm. Asst. Radek.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

Trustee Habercoss made a motion to accept the minutes from September 21, 2016, Trustee Wolski seconded the motion. Motion approved 3-0-0.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

Trustee Wolski presented the September 2016 Treasurer's Report. Trustee Habercoss made a motion to accept the September 2016 Treasurer's Report, Trustee Jewell seconded the motion. Motion approved by roll call vote, Habercoss – Aye, Trustee Jewell – Aye, Trustee Wolski – Aye. 3-0-0.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Chief Niemeyer received an email from the DuPage County Election Commission. Chief Niemeyer will be the election official for the District. Packets are available for anyone wishing to run for the 2 open Trustee positions in the April 2017 election.

Trustee Wolski thanked everyone involved in this year's Open House.

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NEW BUSINESS cont.

Trustees signed Resolution 2016-R-012 which was revised due to House Bill 4522, limiting responder fees to \$250.00 per hour.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

Discussions were held between the board and residents of the district regarding the making of a 5 man board for the Tri-State Board of Trustees. The Board will look into the matter as opinions have been received from our legal advisors.

V. COMMISSIONERS

No Commissioners were present.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

We are in the process of collecting badges and creating gear inventories.

VII. ATTORNEY REPORT

Need to update contact information for election packets. Attorneys will create a letter requesting badges and gear from former employees.

VIII. CHIEF'S REPORT

After much consideration, Tri-State has decided not to move forward with the Village of Justice due to distance and monetary concerns amongst other things. A letter has been sent to the Village of Justice with our decision.

We received a formal rejection from the Saver Grant, we will look into why we were rejected.

Plante Moran began our audit today, they should complete their onsite time within 2 weeks.

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ACDC started today at St. #2.

We have revised our secondary employment forms.

Chief Niemeyer has requested resumes from all the non-sworn employees to evaluate their job descriptions and their education and current salary.

Committees are being revisited, including the 911 Memorial committee.

We have made adjustments to the website where if individuals are interested, they may receive notification when items are posted on the website.

Chief Niemeyer has been meeting with all members, B/C, Lt, getting a grip on everyone's feelings about how things are and discussing how they can contribute to the positive direction the District is experiencing.

We are considering adding an additional personnel member to become car seat certified.

Discussions are still in the works regarding the purchase of the Willow Springs Station, acquisition of assets, price, contingencies, existing pension fund. The current IGA has been extended thru December 2016.

- IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS – discussions continued regarding the 5 man board, accomplishments, mergers, discussed the financial positives of acquiring Willow Springs for all residents. The residents want transparency.

Firefighter Stoffle informed the Board, MDA representative Ellen Sanders would be attending the December 19, 2016 Trustee meeting.

- X. CLOSED SESSION -

At 7:42 PM, Trustee Wolski made a motion to move from the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting and go into Closed Session. Motion seconded by Trustee Jewell. Motion approved by the Board 3-0-0.

RETURN TO THE OPEN SESSION

With no appropriate topics to discuss in the closed session, at 7:43 PM Trustee Habercoss made a motion to move out of Closed Session and re-open the Regular Board Meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Jewell. Motion approved by the Board with a roll call vote 3-0-0.

Trustee Habercoss informed the Board that the State of Illinois has charged, and Darien Police arrested former Trustee Michael Orrico. The Board's attorney has reviewed the documents from the Clerk of the Circuit Court and he said Mr.

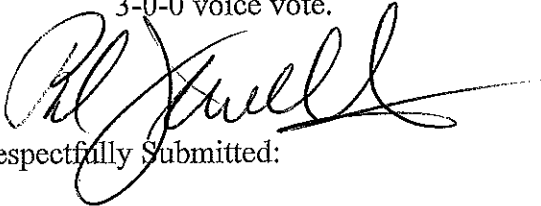
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reviewed the documents from the Clerk of the Circuit Court and he said Mr. Orrico has been criminally charged relative to a conflict of interest involving District purchase(s) of ambulances. The District is fully cooperating with the State's investigation.

Trustee Habercoss stated that Administrative Assistant Radek found a quantity of closed session recording tapes in a file cabinet in the District office. She notified Chief Niemeyer and he contacted Trustee Habercoss. Trustee Habercoss placed them in the lock box secured in the Trustee's office.

RECESS AND ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the board, at 7:50 PM a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Jewell with a second by Trustee Habercoss and the motion carried with a 3-0-0 voice vote.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Jewell", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bob Jewell, Secretary