

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NORWOOD PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

The Board of Trustees of the Norwood Park Fire Protection District, Cook County, Illinois convened at the regular meeting place of said Board on the 12th day of May, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at 7447 W. Lawrence Avenue, Harwood Heights, Illinois, 60706.

The President called the meeting to order and upon roll call the following named members answered present:

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; absent,

 Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,

 Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,

 Trustee Chmura; yes, Attorney Mark Chester; yes

 Chief Stenson; yes.

The pledge was said at the start of the meeting.

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Chmura to approve the agenda as presented for May 12th, 2009 meeting.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATION WITH AUDIENCE (Public Participation)

A motion was made by Trustee Szczurek and seconded by Trustee Hadfield to suspend the rules to permit visitors to be recognized. The Board retains the right to refuse to recognize any individual if they feel their comments are not relevant or to "put them off", if they exceed their time allotment. After all have had an opportunity to address the Board, the President moves the rules be reinstated, and the Board will proceed with meeting.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Chmura to approve the payment of all current bills.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; absent,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Trustee Chmura and seconded by Trustee Hadfield to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on April 14th, 2009.

Minutes from April 14th should reflect that Trustee Hadfield was present for the meeting.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; absent,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Skyba to adopt and ratify the canvass of the Norwood Park Fire protection District election, already performed by the Cook County Clerk, and declare that James Chmura, Joseph Hadfield and Wayne Jarosz have each been elected to serve a six-year term as Trustee of the District.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; absent,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT

Schedule of Assets
(Arising from Cash Transactions)
April 30, 2009

Assets

Checking and money market accounts (interest rate):

Plaza Bank checking (0.245%)	\$ 678
Plaza Bank money market (0.494%)	1,347,090
Plaza Bank checking- Public Education	573
Plaza Bank ambulance billing money market (0.494%)	115,354
Suburban Bank & Trust	<u>23,531</u>

Total checking and money market accounts 1,487,226

Certificates of deposit (interest rate and maturity):

Parkway Bank and Trust (4.34% 05/10/10)	482,420
Plaza Bank (3.07% 01/17/10)	116,879
Plaza Bank (2.23% 03/18/10)	398,352
Plaza Bank (3.50% 06/23/09)	1,479,794
Belmont Bank (4.10% 05/21/11)	444,688
Parkway Bank and Trust (4.35% 04/07/10)	<u>325,683</u>

Total certificates of deposit 3,247,816

Total checking, money market and certificates of deposit \$4,735,042

Motion by Trustee Chmura, seconded by Trustee Skyba to approve the Treasurer's report as presented from the Financial Statement for April 2009.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; absent,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Chiefs Report:

All Trustees received a copy of the alarm report.

All Trustees received a copy of the inspection report along with the list of completed inspections for this month.

Firefighter Joey Irsuto goes back to the Doctor on May 18th, he is progressing but is still in therapy and then will have work hardening, it will be at least another month before he will be able to return to work.

Chief asked for permission on selling Engine 103. We would like to try Fire Apparatus Magazine, the cost would be \$250.00 for a month, we would set the price at \$60,000.00. If we give it to a broker the commission would be 5% to 10% .if the magazine does not work, we would then give it to a broker. Trustee Sulimowski would like it mentioned on the web-site as well. Discussion.

There was a severe storm that caused damage to a window and allowed water to pour into the Lieutenants room. The price to repair the window is \$500.00. The Tuck pointer said there are two other windows that need repair on the top, but he does not have to remove the windows, the cost would be around \$175.00 so I gave him the approval to repair. The copper canopy around the radio room needs to be repaired. This will be done when we are repairing the roof.

We received the grant money for \$9,500.00 for low pressure nozzles. We are compiling a list for what is needed and will have it on the agenda for the next meeting.

Commissioner Rinaldi reported that they held a meeting and approved the revisions made in the Rules and Regulations. They met with the testing company regarding the promotional exam, they discussed sending the candidates to an Assessment Center but the cost would be around \$10,000.00, discussion on additional options. The recommendation of the Commissioners is to create their own oral assessment through I/O solutions and hire a panel of Fire Chief's from the area to direct the assessment. IO Solutions will be handling the written exam. Discussion.

A motion was made by Trustee Hadfield and seconded by Trustee Chmura to accept the Chiefs report as presented for April 2009.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Presidents Report:

Nothing to report at this time.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee- Chairman Trustee Chmura stated we have the audit on the agenda; the recommendation to the board is to select Baker and Baker to perform our audit for this fiscal year.

Trustee Martell arrived at 7:18pm

Building and Equipment Committee- Chairman Trustee Hadfield reported on the roof and the proposals. Attorney Chester discussed prevailing wage requirements. Discussion.

Technology and PR Media Committee- Chairman Trustee Sulimowski stated there is nothing to report.

Policy Committee- Chairman Trustee Gelsomino stated they are working on a policy regarding reimbursement for transportation.

Pension Fund- Trustee Martell stated the Pension Fund met in April, the funds are losing money due to the market and they are looking into other investment options.

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Chmura to adjourn sine die.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Swearing in of Trustee Chmura, Trustee Hadfield and Trustee Wayne Jarosz.

New Board Roll call:

Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

Election of Officers

Trustee Gelsomino nominated Trustee Chmura for Board President. No other nominations.

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Martell to elect Trustee Chmura as President of the Norwood Park Fire Protection District Board of Trustees for a two year term.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Martell nominated Trustee Gelsomino for Board Secretary. No other nominations.

Motion by Trustee Martell and seconded by Trustee Chmura to elect Trustee Gelsomino as Secretary of the Norwood Park Fire Protection District Board of Trustees for a two year term.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Chmura nominated Trustee Martell for Board Treasurer. No other nominations.

Motion by Trustee Chmura and seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to elect Trustee Martell as Treasurer of the Norwood Park Fire Protection District Board of Trustees for a two year term.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Gelsomino thanked Trustee Sulimowski for his two years of serving as President of the Board of Trustees.

Motion by Trustee Sulimowski and seconded by Trustee Martell to adopt and approve Resolution #09-2, a Resolution confirming and declaring the election of District President Jim Chmura, Secretary Donald Gelsomino and Treasurer Bob Martell for the two year term, commencing May 12th, 2009.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

New Business:

Motion by Trustee Sulimowski, and seconded by Trustee Hadfield to go into executive session to discuss personnel and salaries and to approve the executive minutes from March 10, 2009.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Went into executive session at 7:38 P.M.

Returned from executive session at 7:59 P.M. All present, approved executive minutes from March 10, 2009, no other votes taken.

Motion by Trustee Hadfield and seconded by Trustee Martell to approve the purchase of 2 mobile radios for Squad 107 and Ambulance 105 from Radco Communication at a cost of \$2,912.00 of which \$2,245.32 will be paid from the 911 Grant money received.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Martell to appoint Mark Lymperopulos as Fire Commissioner of the Norwood Park Fire Protection District for a three year term, from June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2012.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Sulimowski and seconded by Trustee Martell to approve the increase in salary for the Norwood Park Fire Protection District Fire Commissioners from \$900.00 per year to \$1,200.00 per year.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Sulimowski and seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to approve the contract with the Norwood Park Firemen's Association from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Chief stated that Leigh Unger would like to further his education, classes will be held at Triton and Southern Illinois will issue his degree. Lt. Dan Johnson is also looking to go back to college; his request will be put on next month's agenda. Discussion.

Motion by Trustee Sulimowski and seconded by Trustee Martell to approve Leigh Unger to take classes through Southern Illinois University to complete and receive his Bachelor of Science Degree in the field of Fire Service Management.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Sulimowski and seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to accept the Audit proposal from Frank J. Baker and Company for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. Audit cost not to exceed \$20,550.00.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; no, Trustee Martell; yes,
Trustee Hadfield; yes, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,
Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES:6 NAY:1

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Jarosz and seconded by Trustee Hadfield to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: 7 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

Donald Gelsomino
Secretary

James Chmura
President