

**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 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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; absent, Trustee Martell; absent,  
  
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Hadfield; yes,  
  
Trustee Chmura; yes, Trustee Jarosz; yes,  
  
Chief Stenson; yes, Attorney Mark Chester; yes.

The pledge was said at the start of the meeting.

**COMMUNICATION WITH AUDIENCE (Public Participation)**

A motion was made by Trustee Gelsomino 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: 4 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Mark Lympelopoulos stated that Commissioner Rinaldi has hired 3 Chief's for the oral interviews at a cost of \$400.00 each. They will be meeting to decide on what questions will be asked at the interview, suggested questions came from the testing agency.

Chief stated that the firefighter's are currently studying and have the books available to them.

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

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

AYES: 4 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Martell arrived at 7:05 P.M.

A motion was made by Trustee Hadfield and seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

Assets

Checking and money market accounts (interest rate):	
Plaza Bank checking (0.245%)	\$ 890
Plaza Bank money market (0.494%)	796,769
Plaza Bank checking- Public Education	573
Plaza Bank ambulance billing money market (0.494%)	205,740
Suburban Bank & Trust	<u>7,631</u>
Total checking and money market accounts	1,011,603

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)	400,591
Plaza Bank (3.50% 06/23/09)	1,492,699
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	<u>3,262,960</u>
Total checking, money market and certificates of deposit	<u>\$4,274,563</u>

Trustee Martell stated that we renewed a breakable CD at Plaza Bank. The new rate is 1.98% or 2% APY. Discussion on future CD rates. For this fiscal year, our revenues exceeded our expenses by about \$150,000.00. Attorney Chester discussed that they should look into funding different purchases that are planned for the future so that there is not such a large reserve. Governmental bodies are not supposed to make money. Trustee Martell stated that we have a good reserve.

Motion by Trustee Jarosz, seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to approve the Treasurer's report as presented from the Financial Statement for June 2009.

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

AYES: 5 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.

Engine 103 was in Fire Apparatus Magazine for 1 month and we received 1 call on it. Next step is to give it to a broker for a 5%-10% commission, Discussion. Deputy Chief Kovalcik and the Chief will research different brokers that the board can approve at the next meeting.

Chief is happy to report that the work on the roof is completed.

Still waiting for some things that have been passed at previous meetings. The radios are on back order and the nozzles are special made per order.

Summer Intern is working out well and we have been able to accomplish many different things. He has been entering ambulance billing information, hydrants, hose, has done some work in Quickbooks, Records Disposal, filing as well as other things. He is a good kid and is doing a nice job.

Tax objection resolutions are on the agenda for tonight.  
Mark Chester also has settled on a previous objection, and there will be no refund due.

Chief would like to get bids on seal coating the parking lot, we would like to get it done before the Open House in October.

Water bill with Harwood Heights is now up to \$7,000.00. Trustee Martell stated that he saw the Mayor and she will be contacting them shortly. Trustee Martell feels that Trustee Chmura and he should meet with the Mayor on a couple of issues.

Crowe Horwath has sent a bill for two hundred and fifty dollars for something that was done a couple years ago. Trustee Martell has contacted their office and is working on a resolution.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

### **Presidents Report:**

Trustee Chmura notified the Trustees that we received an Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission notification about a case that was filed by one of our firefighters. Discussion.

### **Committee Reports:**

Finance Committee- Chairman Trustee Chmura stated there is nothing to report at this time.

Building and Equipment Committee- Chairman Trustee Hadfield reported on the roof repairs.

Technology and PR Media Committee- Chairman Trustee Skyba was absent.

Policy Committee- Chairman Trustee Gelsomino stated there is nothing at this time.

Pension Fund- Trustee Martell stated there is a meeting coming up. The Chief will e-mail the date and time of the meeting. Trustee Martell is requesting to have both advisors there. Trustee Chmura asked if they will receive the portfolio prior to the meeting. Discussion.

**Old Business:**

FOI was received and an extension was requested. Discussion.

**New Business:**

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino, and seconded by Trustee Martell to adopt and approve Resolution #09-4, a Resolution authorizing representation in proceedings before the Property Tax Appeal Board regarding Target Corporation TPN-09850.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Martell and seconded by Trustee Hadfield to adopt and approve Resolution #09-5, a Resolution authorizing representation in proceedings before the Property Tax Appeal Board regarding Andy Maggio.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Attorney Mark Chester stated that you could do one Resolution in the beginning of the year authorizing them to represent you. Then you would need to send a letter saying you want them to proceed.

Motion to approve Daniel Johnson to take classes through Concordia University to complete and receive his Bachelor Degree in Organizational Management was tabled.

Motion by Trustee Hadfield and seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to appoint Paul Szczurek to fill the vacancy on the Board of Trustees until such time as his successor is duly elected and qualified.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Swearing in of newly appointed Trustee Paul Szczurek.

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

AYES: 6 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

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Donald Gelsomino  
Secretary

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James Chmura  
President