

**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 10th day of August, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at 7447 W. Lawrence Avenue, Harwood Heights, Illinois, 60706.

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 Chmura; yes,

 Trustee Jarosz; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,

 Trustee Strempek; yes, Chief; yes.

The pledge was said at the start of the meeting.

COMMUNICATION WITH AUDIENCE (Public Participation)

A motion was made by Trustee Strempek and seconded by Trustee Jarosz 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: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

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

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

 Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Chmura; yes,

 Trustee Jarosz; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,

 Trustee Strempek; yes.

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Trustee Jarosz and seconded by Trustee Szczurek to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on July 13th, 2010.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT

Schedule of Assets
(Arising from Cash Transactions)
July 31, 2010

Assets

Checking and money market accounts (interest rate):	
Plaza Bank checking (0.046%)	\$ 341
Plaza Bank money market (0.295%)	202,965
Plaza Bank checking- Public Education	573
Plaza Bank ambulance billing money market (0.295%)	431,187
Suburban Bank & Trust	<u>9,173</u>
Total checking and money market accounts	644,424
Certificates of deposit (interest rate and maturity):	
Plaza Bank (1.40%, 03/02/11)	602,099
Parkway Bank and Trust (1.35% 05/10/11)	517,749
Plaza Bank (1.60% 01/17/11)	120,544
Plaza Bank (1.39% 03/18/11)	408,740
Plaza Bank (1.340% 06/23/11)	1,262,659
Belmont Bank (4.10% 05/21/11)	444,688
Parkway Bank and Trust (1.50% 07/07/11)	<u>349,636</u>
Total certificates of deposit	<u>3,706,115</u>
Total checking, money market and certificates of deposit	<u>\$4,350,539</u>

Motion by Trustee Strempek, seconded by Trustee Szczurek to approve the Treasurer's report as presented from the Financial Statement for July 2010.

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

Lieutenant Johnson is back on days working in the Fire Prevention Bureau. He worked 6 weeks on shift and saved us 9 days of overtime.

Commander Carpino is still on Workman's Compensation and possibly getting ready to have surgery. I will keep everybody updated when something is scheduled.

With the changes to the medical insurance setting everything up with the Flex account has been very challenging. We have had to collect EOBS, set up bank accounts, signatures and getting information from employees, disability people and retired people. This has taken much of our time in the last couple of weeks. I believe everything is set and we are hoping for a smooth transition.

The new ambulance is on the agenda. There is a \$5,089 credit if we pay up front. We would break the \$1,262,659 CD to complete the transaction. We will be drawing off of this CD until the tax money comes in.

A stair chair is on the agenda. This will be for the third ambulance. Every year we get inspected by IDPH and they give us a difficult time because we do not have 3 fully functional ALS units. By purchasing this piece of equipment we will complete 3 fully functional ALS units. Trustee Szczurek asked if we were capable in manning all 3 units at one time, Chief replied that we do. Discussion.

Dan Raz our summer intern completes his 400 hours tomorrow; he did a great job and allowed us to be up to date with all files and paperwork. If it is possible I would like to extend his hours so he can work at Christmas break. This will allow us to catch up with all reporting for the next 4 months. Discussion on additional hours, it will be put on the next month agenda for 80 hours.

A motion was made by Trustee Jarosz and seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to accept the Chiefs report as presented for July 2010.

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Presidents Report:

Trustee Chmura wanted to thank the Chief, staff and firemen on working out the changes with the insurance. Trustee Szczurek wanted to thank the Finance Committee and the Chief for all the work they did on this. Trustee Chmura stated that this is going to be a yearly issue and that next year they may want to consider making a Medical insurance committee so that all board members have the opportunity to experience this. Discussion.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee-Chairman Trustee Chmura stated there is nothing to report but wanted to thank the Chief for all the hard work that he did on putting together the Budget with the changes that had to be made.

Building and Equipment Committee- Chairman Trustee Gelsomino stated that the Chief covered it, the ambulance and stair chair on the agenda.

Technology and PR Media Committee- Chairman Trustee Strempek stated that he is having a meeting with the Chief next week to meet with a Grant Writer. There was a line item added onto the Budget to cover this.

Policy Committee- Chairman Trustee Skyba is absent.

Pension Fund- Trustee Chmura stated they had a very good meeting and a lot of work is being done. Money is being transferred and he feels that there is a very good working relationship with the board and the pension fund.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Motion by Trustee Szczurek and seconded by Trustee Jarosz to adopt and approve Ordinance #10-2, the Norwood Park Fire Protection District Budget and Appropriation for fiscal year 2010-2011.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Strempek to purchase a 2010 Ford E450 Medtech PD168 custom ambulance from Foster Coach Sales at a cost of \$146,096.00. The vehicle is priced and built per the most recent Northwest Municipal contract specifications.

Trustee Chmura asked if this included the discount for paying upfront. Chief Stenson stated that there is a performance bond built into the cost.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Jarosz to purchase one (1) EZ Glide stair chair from Ferno at a cost of \$1,895.00 plus shipping.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion tabled to go into Closed Session.

Motion by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Chmura to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 P.M.

Donald Gelsomino
Secretary

James Chmura
President