

**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 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. at 7447 W. Lawrence Avenue, Harwood Heights, Illinois, 60706.

Motion by Trustee Strempek and seconded by Trustee Skyba to have Trustee Jarosz act as President Pro Tem.

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

AYES: 4 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 1

MOTION CARRIED

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 Chmura; absent, Trustee Jarosz; yes,  
Trustee Szczurek; yes, Trustee Strempek; yes,  
Trustee Lymperopulos; yes, Chief Stenson; 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 Skyba 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 Skyba and seconded by Trustee Lymperopulos to approve the payment of all current bills.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Szczurek to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Schedule of Assets  
(Arising from Cash Transactions)  
December 31, 2012

Assets

Checking and money market accounts (interest rate- APY):	
Plaza Bank checking (0.046%)	\$1,749
Plaza Bank money market (0.295%)	97,647
Plaza Bank checking- Public Education	573
Plaza Bank ambulance billing money market (0.295%)	598,680
Plaza Bank-Medical 1003102	2,957
Suburban Bank & Trust	-- --
Total checking and money market accounts	<u>701,606</u>

Certificates of deposit (interest rate and maturity):	
Plaza Bank (0.65%, 03/02/13)	618,043
Belmont Bank and Trust (1.20% 08/23/12)	528,032
Plaza Bank (0.85% 01/17/13)	123,622
Plaza Bank (0.65% 03/18/13)	419,570
Plaza Bank (0.65% 06/23/13)	469,412
Belmont Bank (1.20% 08/21/12)	509,219
Belmont Bank (1.00% 07/19/14)	<u>359,776</u>
Total certificates of deposit	<u>3,027,674</u>
Total checking, money market and certificates of deposit	<u>\$ 3,729,280</u>

Chief Stenson stated that there is 1 CD due this month and Trustee Martell will be looking for rates.

Motion by Trustee Skyba, seconded by Trustee Lymperopulos to approve the Treasurer's report as presented from the Financial Statement for December 2012.

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

The filing for the election is completed and there is no opposition to our incumbent Trustees Martell and Lymperopulos. We held the ballot lottery and Trustee Lymperopulos will be in the first position followed by Trustee Martell.

Everybody received a copy of the new audit; it went down to the wire and was mailed to the Cook County Clerk on December 31<sup>st</sup> and electronically to the Comptroller on the same day. There were many changes requested by Trustee Martell, mainly the distribution of tax money from last year.

I had reported on the annual maintenance and repairs on our apparatus. Most of the work was done on the truck with the exception of the swivel that is costing \$15,000.00 to repair. We are still waiting on the parts. The total cost of repairs on the truck is approximately \$6,000.00. The 2002 Pierce engine is in

now and we are running into a lot of repairs. The generator is in need of major repairs along with the primer pump, some valve work and much more. The cost of the repairs is approximately \$22,000.00. This brings our total to approximately \$43,000.00, we have \$90,000.00 budgeted for fire truck operating expense. I will keep you informed of the progress.

There was a court date on December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012 with the Pension attorney on the Carpino case. I was told there was a continuance. Commander Carpino has elected to go on Cobra insurance at this time.

There is a court date on Thursday from the incident where Firefighter Al Nagrocki supposedly bumped a lady on a bike. We are represented through VFIS by our Ottosen firm. I will try and attend and keep you informed.

We are hosting a car seat class in March. We will have 3 or 4 of our men attend the class and get certified as a technician. We have requested a grant to cover the cost of the class. We have a need to get more technicians as we have several installations per week. We will then have two technicians on each crew so hopefully there will always be one available when people call. Trustee Lymperopulos asked how people know about this service. Chief stated it is on the web site and also by word of mouth. They are also looking into a grant from State Farm to be able to purchase new car seats for people that may have a seat in disrepair.

I would like to work with the building committee on replacing the carpet on the office side and remodel the small kitchen in the office. This should be the next project along with the final phase of the firefighter's bathroom.

The Harwood Heights Police Department is asking for us to recertify all the police in CPR. This would be done in February and March. Discussion.

A motion was made by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Szczurek to accept the Chiefs report as presented for December 2012.

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

**Presidents Report:**

None

**Committee Reports:**

Finance Committee- Trustee Jarosz stated there is nothing at this time.

Building and Equipment Committee- Chairman Trustee Szczurek stated there is nothing to report at this time.

Technology and PR Media Committee- Chairman Strempek stated he had nothing to report at this time.

Policy Committee- Chairman Trustee Skyba stated there is nothing to report at this time.

Pension Fund- Chief Stenson stated there is a Pension meeting coming up.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Motion by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Lymperopulos to ratify the audit for 2012 fiscal year as presented by Frank J. Baker and Company.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Lymperopulos and seconded by Trustee Strempek to approve the payout of mandatory sick time buyback to the following:

Kevin Stenson- 48 hours \$2,967.84  
Stanley Grygiel- 120 hours \$4,136.88  
Paul Striedl- 144 hours \$4,789.44  
Ron Schneider- 12 hours \$361.68  
Dan Davila- 36 hours \$1,054.56

Total mandatory buyback \$13,310.40

This has been looked at and approved by Trustee Martell.

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

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to go into Closed Session was tabled.

Motion was made by Trustee Lympelopulos and seconded by Trustee Skyba to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: 5 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

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Doug Strempek  
Secretary

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Wayne Jarosz  
President Pro Tem