Minutes of the January 28, 2016
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the
West Chicago Fire Protection District
held at 7:00 pm at
200 Fremont Street, West Chicago, IL

Opened meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Dave Janaes with Trustee Charles Bratcher, Trustee Bonnie Gagliardi, Trustee Jim Grobe and Trustee Pat Murphy present. Also present were Attorney’s Joe Miller and Vlad Shuliga, Chief Pat Tanner, Assistant Chief Tim Leidig, Accountant James Howard from Governmental Accounting and Administrative Assistant Joy Edmison.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting held on December 17, 2015 were reviewed. Correction to change Minutes to read “The Special Meeting was called to order...” Trustee Gagliardi made a motion to accept the minutes as revised, the motion was seconded by Trustee Bratcher, motion passed.

Minutes of the Closed Session held on December 17, 2015 were reviewed. Trustee Grobe made a motion to accept the minutes as written, the motion was seconded by Trustee Bratcher, motion passed.

Closed minutes will not be released at this time.

Battalion Chief Wade Johnson and Firefighter/Paramedic Greg Zudis joined the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

James Howard gave a Power Point presentation on the Financial Analysis for the seven (7) months ended December 31, 2015. Hard copy included with Minutes. No questions from the Board.

James Howard also presented a Debt Service Refunding Power Point. Howard handed out a hypothetical Amortization on Debt Service Refunding on Bonds. Attorney Joe Miller gave council and discussion was had by the Board. The Board will have the Finance Committee, James Howard, Chief Tanner and Assistant Chief Leidig meet along with Underwriters and Financial Advisors to investigate this issue further and will then come back to the Board.

Discussion was had on the high costs of Vehicle Maintenance.

The Financial Report/Chart of Accounts ending December 31, 2015 and the Accounts Payable of $333,757.70 and Payroll of $367,900.99 for December 18, 2015 through January 28, 2016 totaling $701,658.69 were presented. Trustee Murphy made a motion to accept the Financial Reports as presented, Trustee Grobe seconded. Roll call vote showed:

   Trustee Murphy - Aye   Trustee Grobe - Aye   Trustee Gagliardi - Aye
   Trustee Bratcher - Aye   Trustee Janaes - Aye

Motion passed 5 - 0.
COMMITTEE REPORTS:

INTERGOVERNMENTAL: Chief Tanner reported that there will be a meeting with the DuPage Airport Authority on January 29th to discuss a possible Airport Training Facility and the Intergovernmental Agreement. The Chief also reported that the DuPage Airport Authority will probably be purchasing a second vehicle in May of 2016.

FINANCIAL/ PLANNING: Finance Committee will need to meet on the Refunding of Bonds as discussed earlier.

ADMINISTRATION: Chief Tanner reported that the Strategic Plan has a few more additions and will be finalized and published on the WCFPD Website next week.

Assistant Chief Leidig reported that a Grant was submitted and accepted and hopefully he will be hearing back in the next few months.

EQUIPMENT/ CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT: Chief Tanner informed the Board that the maintenance on the Tower Ladder is substantial and suggests selling to a broker.

Chief Tanner shared that he and Firefighter/Paramedic Greg Zudis went down to Ferrara to inspect the new engine before being painted. They will be going back on February 12th with 5 members for a final check and the new Engine is expected to be delivered February 15th.

Chief Tanner handed out the invoice from Ferrara showing additions and credits for a total of $498,341.00 which came under the $530,000.00 budgeted in 2015.

DIVISIONAL REPORTS:

FIRE PREVENTION: Chief Tanner handed out a Report from Fire Marshal Joe Buenrostro showing the number of False Alarms and Plan Reviews, including fees charged and received, for years 2014 and 2015. The Report also showed the following Bureau activities:
   Total property inspections due in 2015 – 1460
   Total inspections completed in 2015 – 903
Resulting in 72.6% inspected. Report totals are an improvement over 2014 where only 159 inspections were completed. Fire Marshal Buenrostro is working towards 100%.

President Janaes called for a short break at 7:41 p.m.
Meeting was reconvened at 7:45p.m.

COMPUTERS: The Chief informed the Board that the Mobile Computers are in the process of being installed and that they all should be installed by the February Trustees meeting.

COMMISSIONERS/ COMMUNITY LIAISON: Trustee Janaes reported that the January Coffee with the Mayor will be held on Saturday, January 30th from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

UNION LOCAL 3970: Firefighter/Paramedic Zudis shared that there is a Basketball game this Saturday, January 30th at 6:00 p.m. at the West Chicago Community High School, West Chicago Police vs. West Chicago Firefighters, to benefit Special Olympics.

Zudis also shared that there is an Honor Guard Convention this weekend at Pheasant Run in St. Charles.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board reviewed proposed Ordinance #2016-O-01 along with the “Employees Wage and Benefit Package” from Ordinance #2015-O-5 showing all changes in red.

Trustee Bratcher made a motion to approve Ordinance #2016-O-01, An Ordinance amending Ordinance 2015-O-5 providing the salary and compensation of the non-collective bargaining unit employees of the West Chicago Fire Protection District. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll call showed:

- Trustee Bratcher - Aye
- Trustee Murphy - Aye
- Trustee Gagliardi - Aye
- Trustee Grobe - Aye
- Trustee Janaes - Aye

Motion passed 5 – 0.

Chief Tanner shared with the Board the need to replace the 100 Gallon Commercial Water Heater at Station #6. The Chief reported that three quotes were received for the replacement. The cost will be over $5,000. Discussion had on the high cost of replacement.

Motion to approve the purchase of a replacement commercial water heater for $5,750.00 for Fire Station #6 was made by Trustee Janaes and seconded by Trustee Grobe. Roll call showed:

- Trustee Janaes - Aye
- Trustee Murphy - Aye
- Trustee Grobe - Aye
- Trustee Bratcher - abstained
- Trustee Gagliardi - Aye

Motion passed 4 – 0, 1 abstained

OLD BUSINESS: None at this time.

MISCELLANEOUS: Trustee Dave Janaes thanked the WCFPD for the Edible Arrangements sent to his wife Cindy during her hospital stay and illness. Trustee Pat Murphy also thanked the WCFPD for the Edible Arrangement he received during his hospital stay and illness.

Trustee Janaes reported that he was appointed to the Executive Committee of DuComm on January 8th, 2016 representing Fire Districts.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: None at this time.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS: Attorney Joe Miller shared that the CPIU was released at .7, last year the CPIU was at .8.

Miller also shared that the Cadillac Tax for Health insurance has been postponed. Miller and Attorney Shulis explained the Cadillac Tax to the Board.

Miller informed the Board of the NIAFPD Annual Conference to be held this weekend in Oak Brook.

Miller also shared that the City of West Chicago has the Church Street documents.
CLOSED SESSION: No closed session needed at this time

POSSIBLE ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION: None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Bratcher to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Next Meeting is Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jim Grohe
Secretary