

**Minutes of the March 26, 2020
Regular Meeting-Teleconference of the Board of Trustees of the
West Chicago Fire Protection District
Held at Fire Station 6
200 Fremont Street, West Chicago, Illinois**

Due to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus), only a minimum were physically present at station 6 while others joined the meeting via computer, tablet or smartphone.

The Regular Meeting–Teleconference was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Charles Bratcher with Trustee Anthony Gagliardi, Trustee Jim Grobe, Trustee Pat Murphy and Trustee Steve Usedom in attendance via phone or computer. Also present at Station 6 was Chief Pat Tanner, Assistant Chief Tim Leidig and Attorney Joe Miller. Accountant James Howard and Administrative Assistant Joy Edminson also present via phone.

Others in attendance: None

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The Board received the report of the Summary Statement of Revenue and Expenditures for the nine (9) months ending February 29, 2020 prior to the meeting.

There were no questions or comments for Accountant James Howard.

Trustee Bratcher announced that the account payables for the District for the period of February 28, 2020 through March 26, 2020 totaled \$369,956.42 and payroll for the District as of March 26, 2020 was \$415,825.80. Trustee Gagliardi made a motion to approve the total amount of expenditures for the District of \$785,782.22, seconded by Trustee Murphy. Roll call vote showed.

Trustee Gagliardi – Aye	Trustee Murphy – Aye	Trustee Usedom– Aye
Trustee Bratcher – Aye	Trustee Grobe – Aye	

Motion passed 5 ayes.

MISCELLANEOUS: Chief Tanner gave an update on the District’s response to COVID-19. The Chief shared that the District has a good supply of PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and will be trying to keep up with ordering supplies without hoarding. The District has been proactive since the start. EMS “Target Hazards” are being treating as if the patient already has COVID-19. Stations are being cleaned daily. All stations are closed to outsiders and anyone coming in must wear a mask. All members have their temperatures taken at the beginning and end of each shift. The Chief

advises to not take the virus lightly and stated it is only going to get worse before it gets better. There was discussion on the current numbers contaminated in the area, the places of possible high numbers of contamination, and current/future problems with Hospital's PPE supplies.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: None.

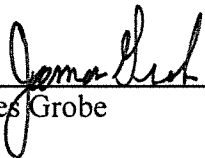
ATTORNEY COMMENTS: Attorney Joe Miller explained the Family First Coronavirus Act (H.R. 6201). Miller explained that the District does not need to comply and that the District would not get the tax break if they did comply. Miller recommends that the Chief think about it and then talk to the Union.

Miller also discussed the IAFF's opinion using Workers Comp regarding COVID-19.

Miller apologized for missing the February meeting and the discussion on Tower 6's repair cost and the insurance company's offer. Miller discussed a possible lawsuit after reviewing the insurance company's offer. Miller would like the Board's consensus to send a letter of intent for a lawsuit. Board unanimously consented to the letter of intent.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Grobe and seconded by Trustee Murphy to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The Next Board Meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 23, 2020.



James Grobe Secretary