Minutes of the June 27, 2019
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the
West Chicago Fire Protection District
Held at Fire Station One
200 Fremont Street, West Chicago, Illinois

Opened meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Charles Bratcher with Trustee Pat Murphy and Trustee Jim Grobe also in attendance. Trustees Steve Usedom and Anthony Gagliardi attended the meeting by other means (phone conference) in accordance with Illinois law and board policy. Also present were Chief Pat Tanner; Assistant Chief Tim Leidig; Firefighter Greg Zudis; Lieutenant Ciszewski, accountant James Howard; and attorney Joseph Miller.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 23, 2019 were reviewed. Trustee Usedom made a motion to accept the minutes as written, the motion was seconded by Trustee Grobe, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Accountant James Howard presented the financial report for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2019. The report included a presentation of the District revenues and expenditures for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. President Bratcher expressed pleasure over the amount of revenues from the Kress Road facility. (via phone)

Trustee Bratcher announced that the account payables for the District for the period of May 24, 2019 through June 27, 2019 totaled $366,072.61. Trustee Bratcher also announced that the payroll for the District as of June 27, 2019 was $501,717.96. Trustee Murphy made a motion to approve the total amount of expenditures for the District of $867,790.57. The motion was seconded by Trustee Usedom. Roll call vote showed:

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

Motion passed 5 – 0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. Intergovernmental: No report.

b. Finance and Planning: Chief Tanner noted that the 2019-2020 Budget and Appropriations ordinance is on the agenda later in the meeting.
c. Divisional Reports:

i. Administration: No report.

ii. Emergency Medical Services: No report.

iii. Fire Prevention and Education: The report from Fire Marshal Buenrostro was in the packer. No questions were received.

iv. Fire Suppression and Training: No report.

v. Building/Equipment/Fleet/Capital Improvement: Chief Tanner noted that the new ambulance is expected to be delivered in the next few months. Chief Tanner also reported on repairs to the Tower vehicle.

d. Commissioners and Community Liaison: Chief Tanner informed the Board of Trustees that the new firefighter starts on July 8, 2019.

UNION LOCAL 3970: Chief Tanner noted that a side-letter agreement on promotional exams was reached.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Public hearing for the 2019-2020 budget and appropriations ordinance. President Bratcher opened the public hearing at 7:09 pm. It was noted that a notice of the hearing was published in the Daily Herald more than 30 days prior to the date of the hearing. No public was present at the meeting to comment. President Bratcher closed the public hearing at 7:10 pm.


Trustee Murphy made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2019-O-02, the 2019-2020 Budget and Appropriations Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Trustee Grobe. Roll call vote showed:

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

Motion passed 5 – 0.
c. **Resolution 2019-R-03.** A Resolution Authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement regarding the abatement of certain properties by and between the West Chicago Fire Protection District, DuPage County, the DuPage Airport Authority, the City of West Chicago, West Chicago Elementary School District 33, the West Chicago Library District and Community High School District 94. Chief Tanner and attorney Miller informed the Board of the latest abatement request from the City of West Chicago. Attorney Miller informed the Board that he had no legal objections to the Intergovernmental Agreement.

Trustee Murphy made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-R-03, approving an intergovernmental agreement for the abatement of taxes for certain properties. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gagliardi. Roll call vote showed:

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

Motion passed 5 – 0.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** Chief Tanner noted that the newly promoted Battalion Chief is doing well.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** No public comment was received.

**ATTORNEY COMMENTS:** Attorney Miller provided the Board of Trustees an update on Senate Bill regarding part-time firefighters and the new Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.

**CLOSED SESSION:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion was made by Trustee Gagliardi and seconded by Trustee Grobe to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Charles Bratcher  President

James Grobe  Secretary