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 March, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at 7447 W. Lawrence Avenue, Harwood Heights, Illinois, 60706.

The President called the meeting to order and upon roll call the following named members answered present:

Roll Call:  
Trustee Skyba; absent, Trustee Martell; yes,  
Trustee Hadfield; absent, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,  
Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,  
Trustee Chmura; yes, Attorney Chester; yes,  
Chief Stenson; yes.

The pledge was said at the start of the meeting.

Motion by Trustee Szczurek and seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to approve the agenda as presented for March 10th, 2009 meeting.

AYES: 5  NAY: 0  
MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATION WITH AUDIENCE (Public Participation)

A motion was made by Trustee Martell and seconded by Trustee Chmura 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

Accountant Paul Smit attended the meeting and explained the services he does for the District. Paul contacted a representative from Paychex’s and they stated that they can do 1099’s for the Pension fund. Discussion on the Auditor’s findings. Decision was made that the minutes will be sent to Paul after they are approved in order to check for changes in fix assets. Discussion on
the bank reconciliations and on having it reviewed by management. Trustee Martell stated that he would like them e-mailed to him for review and he will sign off on them, he would also like the Pension funds reconciliations for review. Discussion on fraud risk and whistleblower policy, Trustee Martell states that he spoke with Jim at Crowe Horwath and they are going to be setting up a free service for this. There are other options regarding this if needed. Trustee Sulimowski asked how much time and how much money is spent with the Pension Fund. Paul Smit reported on what is done on a monthly basis. The Trustee’s feel that Paul Smit and Associates are doing a good job. Trustee Martell would like Paul Smit to come out and meet with the Pension fund and discuss what was done and what is now being done.

Commissioner Doug Strempek reported on the oral interview. The final list will be completed March 22nd. Rules and Regulations are back from Attorney Broihier and have made changes; he will be coming out to meet with the Commissioners. They will be meeting with the Chief regarding the promotional exam shortly. Discussion on the Rules and Regulations and changes that are going to be made.

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

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

Trustee Hadfield; absent, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,

Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,

Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES: 5  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Martell to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on February 10th, 2009.

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

Trustee Hadfield; absent, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,

Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,

Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES: 5  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED
**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Schedule of Assets
(Arising from Cash Transactions)
February 28, 2009

**Assets**

Checking and money market accounts (interest rate):

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<th>Account</th>
<th>Interest Rate</th>
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<td>$629</td>
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<td>Plaza Bank money market</td>
<td>0.494%</td>
<td>615,556</td>
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<td>Plaza Bank checking - Public Education</td>
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<td>Plaza Bank ambulance billing money market</td>
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<td>Suburban Bank &amp; Trust</td>
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Total checking and money market accounts $710,629

Certificates of deposit (interest rate and maturity):

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<td>3.07% 01/17/10</td>
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<td>3.50% 03/18/09</td>
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<td>3.50% 06/23/09</td>
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<td>Belmont Bank</td>
<td>4.10% 05/21/11</td>
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<td>Parkway Bank and Trust</td>
<td>4.35% 04/07/10</td>
<td>325,683</td>
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Total certificates of deposit $3,233,368

Total checking, money market and certificates of deposit $3,943,997

Trustee Chmura commented on the very good interest rates that are currently locked in with the CD’s.

Motion by Trustee Szczurek, seconded by Trustee Sulimowski to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented from the Financial Statement for February 2009.

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

Trustee Hadfield; absent, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,

Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,

Trustee Chmura; 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 alarm system in the fire house has been a problem. The department purchased a wireless fire alarm system through ADT.

Joey Irsuto had surgery on his shoulder, they are hoping for 2 months of therapy.

Equipment committee talked about going down to two Engines instead of three. We are dealing with two companies regarding the sale of our engine; Chief will let the Trustees know once he has more information.

FDIC conference will be in Indianapolis, Chief and Deputy Chief will be attending. The Shift Commanders will be in charge while they are away.

Chief has talked to two companies for IT work, is waiting on a third to get bids.

Dental insurance application is turned in, it will become effective 04-01-09.

A motion was made by Trustee Gelsomino and seconded by Trustee Martell to accept the Chiefs report as presented for February 2009.

**AYES: 5  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED**

**Presidents Report:**

Trustee Sulimowski stated that there are contract negotiations are coming up, David Blondell from the Union contacted him to set up a meeting.

**Committee Reports:**

Finance Committee- Chairman Trustee Chmura stated that they need to look at the auditors for this year.

Building and Equipment Committee- Chairman Trustee Hadfield is absent, Trustee Gelsomino states that Trustee Hadfield is going to get two more bids on repairing the roof.

Technology and PR Media Committee- Chairman Trustee Sulimowski stated nothing to report at this time.
Policy Committee- Chairman Trustee Gelsomino stated he will be working on a cell phone policy regarding overages and payments.

Pension Fund- Trustee Martell stated he received a phone call from the President of the Pension Fund asking when the $35,000 is going to be paid to the Pension Fund. Discussion on the Pension’s prior bookkeeping and the investments of the Pension Fund.

Old Business:

Motion by Trustee Sulimowski and seconded by Trustee Szczurek to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and salaries and to approve the Executive Minutes from January 13, 2009.

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

Trustee Hadfield; absent, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,

Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,

Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES: 5  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED

Went into Executive Session at 8:07 P.M.

 Returned from Executive Session at 8:31 P.M. All members present. No votes other than the approval of executive minutes were taken.

New Business:

Motion by Trustee Martell and seconded by Trustee Szczurek to change the Dental insurance from Guardian to Ameritas with an effective date of April 1, 2009.

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

Trustee Hadfield; absent, Trustee Sulimowski; yes,

Trustee Gelsomino; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,

Trustee Chmura; yes.

AYES: 5  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED
Motion was made by Trustee Szczurek and seconded by Trustee Gelsomino to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: 5    NAY: 0          MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 P.M.

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Paul Szczurek
Secretary

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Dominic Sulimowski
President