

**MINUTES OF THE 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014 at 7:02 P.M. at 7447 W. Lawrence Avenue, Harwood Heights, Illinois, 60706.

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

Roll Call:                   Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,  
  
                                  Trustee Jarosz; absent, Trustee Szczurek; yes,  
  
                                  Trustee Strempek; yes, Trustee Lymperopulos; yes,  
  
                                  Trustee Romano; yes, Chief Stenson; yes.

The pledge was said at the start of the regular meeting.

**COMMUNICATION WITH AUDIENCE** (Public Participation)

A motion was made by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Szczurek 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: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Martell to approve the payment of all current disbursements in the amount of \$561,043.85.

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

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Martell wanted it to be noted that the amount is higher due to the disbursement for the ambulance. Chief Stenson stated it also had the work from Felber Tuck-pointing

Motion by Trustee Lympelopulos and seconded by Trustee Skyba to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Roll Call: Trustee Romano; abstain, Trustee Strempek; yes,  
Trustee Lympelopulos; yes, Trustee Szczurek; yes,  
Trustee Jarosz; absent, Trustee Skyba; yes,  
Trustee Martell; yes.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Schedule of Assets  
(Arising from Cash Transactions)  
August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014

#### Assets

Checking and money market accounts (interest rate- APY):

Plaza Bank checking #4303503 (0.046%)	\$6,500.83
Plaza Bank money market #4303498 (0.295%)	1,304,704.31
Plaza Bank ambulance billing money market #4304492 (0.295%)	482,974.77
Plaza Bank-Medical #1003102	<u>2,133.90</u>
Total checking and money market accounts	<u>1,796,313.81</u>

Certificates of deposit (interest rate and maturity):

Plaza Bank (0.65%, 09/02/14)	625,045.23
Belmont Bank and Trust (1.00% 08/23/16)	543,334.86
Belmont Bank (1.00% 08/05/16)	125,082.43
Plaza Bank (0.65% 09/18/14)	423,635.79
Plaza Bank (0.65% 12/23/14)	473,960.53
Belmont Bank (1.00% 08/21/16)	519,451.49
Belmont Bank (.996% 07/19/16)	<u>367,005.66</u>

Total certificates of deposit 3,077,515.99

Total checking, money market and certificates of deposit \$ 4,873,829.80

Motion by Trustee Romano, seconded by Trustee Szczurek to approve the Treasurer's report as presented from the Financial Statement for August 2014.

Trustee Martell stated that they renewed 3 CD's in August at 1% each from Belmont Bank, we will also be renewing 2 more CD's from North Community Bank at .65% because we need the ability to liquidate if needed.

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

AYES: 6 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.

911 ceremony will be held here on Thursday at approximately 8:45am. All are welcome, it is about ten minutes. We also have an event at the Irving Park Cemetery on Thursday around 12:00 reflecting on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Central Baptist Home has a special service tomorrow at 2:00pm honoring first responders. Saint Rosalie will be celebrating a Memorial Mass at 7pm on Thursday honoring our brothers and sisters from New York who gave their lives 13 years ago.

Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> we will be attending a mass casualty drill with the Chicago Fire Department at O'Hare airport. We will be sending a Truck Company with 4 men to the scene of an airplane crash at the airport. This should be highly publicized and may be on major news stations.

Our Open House is scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup>, noon to 3:00pm. Hope all can make it; we are expecting a big crowd as usual. Food and Flu shots will be available.

On the agenda is a MABAS ordinance. The intent of this ordinance is to establish guidelines for recouping costs from Mutual Aid events which might be prolonged greater than 8 hours. The purpose includes eligibility of MABAS Illinois resources and capabilities for Federal Declaration of disaster reimbursements. This is a request from MABAS for every Department to pass this ordinance.

Trustee Martell asked if we have been involved in an incident lasting longer than 8 hours, Chief Stenson discussed.

The masonry work is completed on the roof. The roof will need to be looked at in the spring. The portion of the roof in the southwest corner was tented and is being held down with blocks. We will need to get quotes for repair or reroof in the spring.

Our Engine remains in the shop since June 2<sup>nd</sup>. I took a ride out there last Friday and found that the frame work was done and they were waiting on parts for the bumper. The original parts that were ordered were wrong and they were waiting for the new ones. There is some paint work to be done and the bumper reinstalled. We should have it back in a week or two.

All the new lights have been installed on the building. Tom McGough is still adjusting the lights so he can get the whole parking lot covered. This week he is starting to take down all the light poles. He should be done by the end of the week.

We met with our insurance broker today; he went over the last 4 years of our health policy to see if we were saving any money with the high deductible policy. It looks like we are saving about \$30,000 a year with the \$2,500 deductible policy. He had looked at many different options and his recommendation is to stay with the \$2,500 deductible policy. He also is looking into different cancer policies to see if we can find savings. So far we changed our dental and our life insurance policies where he was able to save us some money.

Trustee Romano asked what is happening with the accident case from the engine, Chief explained that it is continued.

Motion by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Lympelopulos to accept the Chief's Report for August 2014 as presented.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

**President Report:**

Nothing to report at this time.

**Committee Reports:**

Finance Committee- Trustee Martell stated there is nothing to report at this time.

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

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

Policy Committee- Trustee Skyba stated they are in procession of Chapter 1 of the Policy Manual and they will begin reviewing. The electronic attendance for meetings and 2% Foreign Fire Policy is not included and Chief Stenson will follow up with the attorney. The Union is also in procession of the policy to start reviewing.

They will schedule a Policy Committee meeting prior to the next regular board meeting to discuss Chapter 1.

Pension Fund- Trustee Martell stated there will be a meeting in October.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Motion by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Romano to adopt and approve Ordinance #14-3, an Ordinance Authorizing an Addendum to Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Romano; yes,  
Trustee Jarosz; absent, Trustee Martell; yes,  
Trustee Szczurek; yes, Trustee Strempek; yes,  
Trustee Lympelopulos; yes.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Lympelopulos and seconded by Trustee Strempek to approve Felber Tuck-pointing Company at a cost of \$1,500.00 to repair the expansion joints on the addition.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; yes, Trustee Martell; yes,  
Trustee Jarosz; absent, Trustee Szczurek; yes,  
Trustee Strempek; yes, Trustee Lympelopulos; yes,  
Trustee Romano; yes.

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to go into Closed Session was tabled.

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

AYES: 6 NAY: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 P.M.

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Andrew Skyba  
Secretary

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Douglass Strempek  
President