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 12th day of January, 2015 at 7:00 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 meeting.

Presentation of plaque to Pat Modrzejewski from North Community Bank.

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 Lymperopulos and seconded by Trustee Martell to approve the payment of all current disbursements in the amount of $488,096.31

Roll Call: Trustee Romano; yes, Trustee Strempek; yes,

Trustee Jarosz; absent, Trustee Skyba; yes,

Trustee Martell; yes, Trustee Szczurek yes,

Trustee Lymperopulos; yes.
AYES: 6  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Strempek to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing/Regular meeting held on December 9th, 2014.

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

Motion by Trustee Romano and seconded by Trustee Skyba to approve the minutes of the Closed Session meeting held on December 9th, 2014.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Schedule of Assets
(Arising from Cash Transactions)
December 31st, 2014

Assets
Checking and money market accounts (interest rate- APY):
Plaza Bank checking #4303503 (0.046%)  $12,648.04
Plaza Bank money market #4303498 (0.295%)  505,551.91
Plaza Bank ambulance billing money market #4304492 (0.295%)  417,798.60
Plaza Bank-Medical #1003102  1,128.04
Total checking and money market accounts  937,126.59
Certificates of deposit (interest rate and maturity):
Plaza Bank (0.65%, 03/02/16) 626,048.80
Belmont Bank and Trust (1.00% 08/23/16) 544,698.88
Belmont Bank (1.00% 08/05/16) 125,396.45
Plaza Bank (0.65% 03/18/16) 425,004.74
Belmont Bank (1.00% 08/21/16) 520,755.56
Belmont Bank (.996% 07/19/16) 367,927.02

Total certificates of deposit 2,609,831.45

Total checking, money market and certificates of deposit $ 3,546,958.04

Motion by Trustee Szczurek, seconded by Trustee Skyba to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented from the Financial Statement for December 2014.

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.

I reported to all the Trustees on the 2nd alarm fire we had last Wednesday. The crew did a great job saving 8 residents. I would like to have an awards ceremony at next month’s board meeting where we can show our appreciation for a job well done to the crew that made these rescues. This includes the Norridge and Harwood Heights police. I will be sending out letters to all departments that participated at the 2nd alarm event.

The new Command car is ready to have the lights and sirens and graphics installed. I have scheduled the graphics for Wednesday and hope to have the lights and sirens installed shortly afterward. We worked with three different companies for quotes, Koda, R&R Maintenance and Lund. I have a motion
on the agenda not to exceed $6,000. We have a price of $5,268 from Koda but we want to make sure we are not missing anything. Some quotes were a couple thousand higher. Lund has submitted a quote for $5,263. We have had quotes of $8,711 $8,375 and $7,238 from R&R and $8,900 and $5,268 from Koda. We worked with both companies trying to get exactly what we need. The reason I made it not to exceed $6,000 was in case we missed any important safety equipment.

The monthly bills for December were high, $488,000. Included in these bills were $20,000 to the 2% foreign board, $4,700 flu shots, $24,000 new Ford command car, $26,000 repairs to the 1994 Ladder Truck and $15,000 overtime due to covering two men on workers comp.

Overtime is still a major issue. Brad Virgils has an attorney and will be handing in his application for a duty related disability this week, discussion.

Mandatory sick time is on the agenda. This is anybody over 960 hours. We sent Treasurer Martell the calculations on Friday. This totals $22,545.60. There are three others at this time requesting a buyback for February, discussion.

Motion by Trustee Martell and seconded by Trustee Skyba to accept the Chief’s Report for December 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 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 there is nothing at this time. Revised Chapter 3 given to the committee.

Pension Fund- Trustee Martell stated they will meet on January 29th at 7pm.
Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Motion by Trustee Strempek and seconded by Trustee Romano to approve the payout of mandatory sick time buyback to the following:

- Kevin Stenson - 48 hours $3,146.40
- Stanley Grygiel - 144 hours $5,243.76
- Paul Striedl - 144 hours $5,081.04
- Ron Schneider - 72 hours $2,278.32
- Dan Davila - 72 hours $2,348.64
- Larry Curran - 144 hours $4,447.44

Total mandatory buyback $22,545.60

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

AYES: 6   NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Romano and seconded by Trustee Szczurek to ratify the selection of Worker’s Compensation Insurance Agency from Mesirow to Corkill Insurance Agency confirming the December vote.

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

AYES: 6   NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED
Motion by Trustee Lymperopulos and seconded by Trustee Strempek to approve the equipment and installation of radio and lights for the new command vehicle by Koda Auto Electronics and Services at a cost not to exceed $6,000.00.

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

AYES: 6  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Szczurek to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel and possible litigation.

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

AYES: 6  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED

Went into Closed Session at 8:05 PM

Returned from Closed Session at 8:49 PM. No votes taken. All Trustees present with the exception of Trustee Jarosz.

Motion was made by Trustee Skyba and seconded by Trustee Lymperopulos to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: 6  NAY: 0  MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

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Andrew Skyba  Douglass Strempek
Secretary  President