

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019 at 7:14 P.M. at 7447 W. Lawrence Ave., Harwood Heights, Illinois.

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

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; absent, Trustee Romano; absent, Trustee Kolaski; yes,  
Trustee Avino; yes, Trustee Cichon; yes, Trustee Rybak; yes,  
Trustee Santoro-Cotton; yes, Fire Chief Blondell; yes.

The pledge was said at the start of the meeting.

**COMMUNICATION WITH THE AUDIENCE (Public Participation)**

A motion was made by Trustee Avino and seconded by Trustee Kolaski 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.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; absent, Trustee Romano; absent, Trustee Kolaski; yes,  
Trustee Avino; yes, Trustee Cichon; yes, Trustee Rybak; yes,  
Trustee Santoro-Cotton; yes,  
AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

**New Business**

Motion by Trustee Kolaski and seconded by Trustee Santoro-Cotton, to begin the hiring process (background, polygraph, psych, and medical) for the next candidate on the entry level firefighter eligibility list.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; absent, Trustee Romano; absent, Trustee Kolaski; yes,  
Trustee Avino; yes, Trustee Cichon; yes, Trustee Rybak; yes,  
Trustee Santoro-Cotton; yes,  
AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Santoro-Cotton and seconded by Trustee Rybak to promote Lawrence Curran to the rank of Lieutenant for the Norwood Park Fire Protection District effective November 1, 2019.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; absent, Trustee Romano; absent, Trustee Kolaski; yes,  
Trustee Avino; yes, Trustee Cichon; yes, Trustee Rybak; yes,  
Trustee Santoro-Cotton; yes,  
AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

***Swearing in of Lieutenant Lawrence Curran***

Motion by Trustee Rybak and seconded by Trustee Avino to appoint Stanley Koy to Shift Commander for the Norwood Park Fire Protection District effective November 1, 2019.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; absent, Trustee Romano; absent, Trustee Kolaski; yes,  
Trustee Avino; yes, Trustee Cichon; yes, Trustee Rybak; yes,  
Trustee Santoro-Cotton; yes,  
AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

***Swearing in of Commander Stanley Koy***

Motion by Trustee Avino and seconded by Trustee Kolaski to approve the Deputy Chief contract and appoint Claude Erlewein to Deputy Chief for the Norwood Park Fire Protection District effective November 1, 2019.

Roll Call: Trustee Skyba; absent, Trustee Romano; absent, Trustee Kolaski; yes,  
Trustee Avino; yes, Trustee Cichon; yes, Trustee Rybak; yes,  
Trustee Santoro-Cotton; yes,  
AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

***Swearing in of Deputy Chief Claude Erlewein***

**Old Business**

None.

Motion by Trustee Kolaski and seconded by Trustee Santoro-Cotton to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: 5 NAY: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 P.M.

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Joanne Rybak  
Secretary

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Andrew Cichon  
President