



BARTLETT

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2022

Meeting Call to Order

Trustee McCarthy called the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bartlett Fire Protection District to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Trustee McCarthy, Trustee Robbins, Trustee Passaro, and Trustee Bersani. Trustee Hopkins entered the session at 7:10 p.m. Also, in attendance were Chief Gabrenya, Deputy Chief Becker, Attorney Joe Miller, Human Resources Director Gumprecht and Executive Assistant Kolber. Accountant James Howard attended virtually by Zoom Webinar.

Trustee McCarthy led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Special Presentations

A donation was made from Tony Passaro and Marianne Kingsmill of the Dogfather in the amount of \$4,000 to the Ignite the Courage organization. Lt. Nick McLeod and Firefighter Victor Arlis were in attendance to accept the donation.

A donation was made from Rebecca Lesmeiste of Rebecca's Cakes by Design in the amount of \$629.00 to the Ignite the Courage organization. Lt. Nick McLeod and Firefighter Victor Arlis were in attendance to accept the donation.

Lt. McLeod expressed that the Bartlett Fest could not be accomplished without the numerous volunteers. Every level within the Bartlett Fire District organization assisted along with numerous residents.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Trustee's Report

Trustee Passaro – Ignite the Courage did an amazing job putting the Bartlett Fest together. It is evident how passionate the organization is about the charity.

Trustee Robbins – Echoed the previous comments. Thank you to Chief Gabrenya for keeping the Board informed on the recent grants received. The success of the grants in 2022 is unbelievable.

Trustee Hopkins – Echoed the previous comments. The continuous efforts on the grants is wonderful. Great job to Ignite the Courage. Spoke with a recipient at the event who was extremely grateful for the financial assistance for a family member.

Trustee Bersani – No report

Trustee McCarthy – Echoed the previous Trustee's comments on Ignite the Courage's financial assistance to those in need within the District and for FF Maulding's grant success.

Approval of the Minutes

The release of closed session minutes and destruction of audio minutes will be discussed in closed session.

Financial Report

Trustee Robbins reported that the total bills were:

FIRE FUND	\$76,303.78	BUILDING CAPITAL	\$3,065.09
AMBULANCE FUND	\$80,116.11	VEHICAL CAPITAL	\$44,694.06
EQUIPMENT CAPITAL	\$0.00	PAYROLL	\$481,397.39
TOTAL ALL BILLS		\$685,576.43	

Old Business

No old business was discussed.

New Business

A review was provided of the Trustee Training Continuing Education.

Consent Agenda

Trustee McCarthy made a motion to approve the consent agenda items 1 and 2. Trustee Robbins seconded the motion and with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

1. Approval of the Bill List as presented.
2. Approval of the Board meeting Regular Session Minutes 07/20/22

Action to be taken by the Board

Trustee Bersani made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-06, an amended ordinance providing for a budget and appropriations of the BFPD, Cook and DuPage Counties, IL for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022. Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion and with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

Attorney’s Report

Attorney Miller reported that Governor Pritzker’s disaster declaration expires the end of this week. The declaration could be extended, but nothing is known at this time.

Fire Chief Gabrenya’s Report

- Provided a report on the equipment the District has listed on the Gov Deals website.
- Station 3 light pole is installed and wired. The fuel tanks need to be installed and landscaping completed.
- The Bartlett Fire District Board of Trustees, Commissioners, and the Village of Bartlett Board has been invited to tour the new training tower on September 10.
- Reported on upcoming attendance at the Fire Rescue International Conference.
- In celebration of the 125th anniversary, the District will host a picnic for current and former members.
- The two new staff vehicles are now in service.

Deputy Chief Becker’s Report

- Working on the new ambulance installing radios and computers.
- New candidate, Ryan Johnson, will start employment on September 12.
- The Open House is scheduled for October 1st, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It will be held at Station 3 to showcase the new training tower and the District’s 125th anniversary.

- There will be a Swearing In Ceremony at the October 19th Board meeting for the 3 new commissioned firefighters and the 3 non-commissioned firefighters.

Fire Marshal Heimbecker's Report

- A written report was provided on the Fire Prevention Bureau monthly activities.

Upcoming Calendar

1. North Avenue Car Show by Ignite the Courage, 09/18/22, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
2. Bartlett Fire District Open House, Station 3, 1575 W. Bartlett Rd., October 1, 2022, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Correspondence

1. Thank you from Officer Anderson and Officer Dendinger for participation in the National Night Out events.

Closed Session

Trustee Bersani made a motion to adjourn to closed session at 7:35 p.m. for the purpose of the semi-annual review of the closed session minutes. Trustee Passaro seconded the motion and with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

The regular session resumed at 7:41 p.m.

Those in attendance were Trustee McCarthy, Trustee Robbins, Trustee Passaro, Trustee Bersani, and Trustee Hopkins. Also, in attendance were Chief Gabrenya, Deputy Chief Becker, Attorney Joe Miller, Human Resources Director Gumprecht, and Executive Assistant Kolber.

Trustee Bersani made a motion to not release any of the closed session minutes up for review: Trustee Passaro seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

Trustee Bersani made a motion to approve the destruction of closed session audio minutes: 08/19/20, 09/16/20, 10/21/20, 12/16/20, 01/20/21. Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

Chief Gabrenya discussed the purchase of a used trailer on Gov Deals to store and carry Hazmat equipment. The funds are available in the capital vehicle budget. The purchasing policy allows purchases between \$5,000 to \$10,000 informing the Board. The Board approved to continue to bid up to \$10,000 for the trailer.

With no further business to be brought before the Board, Trustee Bersani made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Robbins seconded the motion and with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, yes; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the regular session of the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Kolber
Executive Assistant

ATTEST:

President, James McCarthy

Secretary, Michael Bersani

Treasurer, Larry Robbins

Trustee, Jessica Hopkins

Trustee, Antonio Passaro