



BARTLETT

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

OCTOBER 20, 2021

Meeting Call to Order

Trustee McCarthy called the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bartlett Fire Protection District to order at 7:03 p.m. Those in attendance were Trustee McCarthy, Trustee Bersani, Trustee Passaro, and Trustee Hopkins. Trustee Robbins was absent. Also, in attendance were Chief Gabrenya, Deputy Chief Becker, Attorney Joe Miller, Human Resources Director Gumprecht, and Executive Assistant Kolber.

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

Public Comments

There were no public comments

Special Presentations

Trustee McCarthy recognized Trustee Passaro, owner of the Dogfather, for being inducted into the Vienna Beef Hall of Fame on November 2, 2021.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Trustee's Report

Trustee Hopkins – Great job on the Open House being such a great success. Recognized and thanked the volunteers going to the various community events. Prayers to all involved with the recent truck accident on Route 59 and wishing good mental health to the crew.

Trustee Passaro – Attended the truck tour held at Station 1. It was an amazing experience.

Trustee Bersani – The Open House was fantastic. Hope families continue to take advantage of this event in the future. Inquired how the crews were doing following the recent truck accident on Route 59.

Trustee McCarthy – Echoed everyone's comments regarding the Open House and the recent accident. Thank you to everyone for all the additional efforts on the various projects occurring within the District.

Trustee Robbins – Absent

Approval of the Minutes

Financial Report

Accountant James Howard presented the 3rd Quarter Financial Analysis ending September 30, 2021, the 2022 proposed budget, and the 2021 proposed tax levy. A discussion was held.

The Board made a determination that a truth and taxation hearing is not required because the tax levy is under 5%.

Trustee McCarthy reported that the total bills were:

FIRE FUND	\$120,979.70	BUILDING CAPITAL	\$4,722.51
AMBULANCE FUND	\$157,456.29	VEHICAL CAPITAL	\$7,817.24
EQUIPMENT CAPITAL	\$0.00	PAYROLL	\$648,481.82
TOTAL ALL BILLS		\$939,457.56	

Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

New Business

- The Board will begin the process for the Fire Chief's performance evaluation.
- Trustee McCarthy mentioned Commissioner Lukas-Bourgeois has an interest in a tour of the DU-COMM facility. Trustee McCarthy opened it up to the Board as well. Commissioner Lukas-Bourgeois offered the use of her cinematographer for future videos created at District events or training sessions.

Consent Agenda

Trustee Passaro made a motion to approve the consent agenda items 1 through 4. Trustee Bersani seconded the motion and with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, absent; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

1. Approval of the Bill List as presented
2. Approval of the Board meeting Regular Session Minutes 09/15/21
3. Approval of the Board meeting Closed Session Minutes 09/15/21
4. Approval of Ordinance #2021-06, an ordinance of the BFPD amending section entitled "Membership; Powers and Duties" 2.02 of the BFPD Board of Trustees Policies and Procedures Manual

Action to be taken by the Board

Trustee Hopkins made a motion to approve Ordinance #2021-07, an ordinance of the BFPD authorizing the sale and disposal of surplus personal property being one (1) 2000 E-ONE fire engine owned by the BFPD. Trustee Bersani seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, absent; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

A discussion was held on the Public Hearing to consider testimony regarding the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the BFPD for the fiscal year beginning 01/01/22 and ending 12/31/22. No action was necessary, and the Board determined the public hearing will be held on December 15, 2021 at 6:55 p.m., Station 1, 234 N. Oak Ave., Bartlett.

Trustee Bersani made a motion to approve the medical benefits for the 2022 fiscal year. Trustee Passaro seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, absent; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

Trustee McCarthy made a motion to approve the dental benefits for the 2022 fiscal year. Trustee Passaro seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, absent; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

Attorney's Report

- Attorney Miller reported on the progress of House Bill 2020.

Fire Chief Gabrenya's Report

- The fuel depot has been put into place at Station 3. The savings is substantial, and will consider a permanent situation in the future.
- The new engines have been outfitted and crews have been training on the new engines. In service date is planned for the first week of November.
- Retirement letters were received from Lt. Childers and Firefighter Stryczek with retirement dates of January 30, 2022. The District is currently short one firefighter, and will be in need of two more firefighters come January 2022. Then a 4th firefighter in 2nd quarter with the next retirement.
- Reported on the shortage of contract medics with Paramedic Services of IL.
- Firefighter Clark Dendinger has been inducted into Task Force One. Bartlett Fire District now has two members on Task Force One, which is an elite special teams unit through MABAS of IL.
- Updated on the process of the required PCR testing for unvaccinated employees from IDPH.

Deputy Chief Becker's Report

- A report was provided on the current new hire process. Interviews will be set up on November 9, 10, and 11.
- The Board was in consensus and directed Chief Gabrenya to authorize the Commission to hire the next 4 candidates from the new hire list that is being developed.
- The final lieutenant promotional list has been finalized. The first promotion will take place in February 2022.
- Updated the Board regarding breakthrough COVID cases.
- Fire reports were provided on incidents at Lambert and Spaulding Rds., in unincorporated Elgin on October 2, 2021 and the 100 block of N. Hale on October 17, 2021

Fire Marshal Heimbecker's Report

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

Upcoming Calendar

- 2021 NIAFPD Fall Seminar, Lisle-Woodridge FPD, October 23, 2021
- TIF Joint Review Board Meeting, Village Hall, October 28, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

Correspondence

- Thank you from Prairieview Elementary School PTO Board for BFPD's participation in the Back to School celebration.
- Thank you for the response and compassion from the family of Rubin Culak Sr.
- Thank you to the members of the BFPD for the service from resident Carlee Kathreen Kucia.
- Thank you for the service from John and Mary Sue Cason, neighbors of Fire Station 1.

Closed Session

Trustee McCarthy made a motion to adjourn to closed session at 8:36 p.m. for the purpose of collective bargaining and any other legal matter. Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion and with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes; Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, absent; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the motion so carried.

The regular session resumed at 8:51 p.m. Those in attendance were Trustee McCarthy, Trustee Passaro, Trustee Hopkins, and Trustee Bersani. Trustee Robbins was absent. Also, in attendance were Chief Gabrenya, Deputy Chief Becker, Attorney Joe Miller, Human Resources Director Gumprecht, and Executive Assistant Kolber.

With no further business to be brought before the Board, Trustee Bersani made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Passaro seconded the motion and with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee McCarthy, yes;

Trustee Bersani, yes; Trustee Passaro, yes; Trustee Robbins, absent; Trustee Hopkins, yes; the regular session of the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Kolber
Executive Assistant

ATTEST:

President, James McCarthy

Secretary, Michael Bersani

Treasurer, Larry Robbins

Trustee, Jessica Hopkins

Trustee, Antonio Passaro