

**ROBERTS PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
January 12, 2010**

Call to Order

President Joseph Kelly called the meeting of the Roberts Park Fire Protection District Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Firehouse. Group assembled recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Trustee.....Joseph Kelly
Trustee.....Patrick Lorenz
Trustee.....Steve Stratakos
Chief.....Frederick Vollinger
Deputy Chief.....Jeffrey Ketchen
Commissioner.....Kenneth Osborne
Commissioner.....Ervin Kozicki
Attorney.....Rick Ryan
Accountant.....Terry Coleman
Administrative Assistant.....Don Fontana
Recording Secretary.....Kelly Kulzer

Commissioner Kaech was absent.

Open to the Floor

None.

Board Approval

Minutes – Regular Meeting

Trustee Stratakos moved to accept the minutes of the December 8, 2009 meeting as presented. Trustee Lorenz second. No additions or corrections. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved.

Accounts Payable & Treasurer’s Report

Trustee Lorenz entertained a motion to accept the purchase journal in the amount of \$135, 433.56, and to approve the Treasurer’s Report and post it on the bulletin board for public view. So moved by Trustee Stratakos. Trustee Kelly second. No additions or corrections. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved.

Budget Review

With eight months of the year gone, revenues are at 75.5%, expenditures at 73.9%, partly due to outstanding payments from Justice.

Reports of Officials

Chief

Per ordinance, a Foreign Fire Insurance Board is being established. Per statute the board will include Chief Vollinger; Chris Knights, Scott Kelly, and Marty Calderon have volunteered to serve on the board as well. The board will be made official at the next Trustees Meeting.

Chief Vollinger and D/C Ketchen met with the Village of Justice regarding taking over fire inspections; the Village no longer has a fire inspector and would like to negotiate with Roberts Park to provide that service. Chief Vollinger will keep the Board apprised of the negotiations.

We are in the process of painting and remodeling areas of Station 1.

It was appropriated in last year's budget to raise part-time pay. Chief Vollinger has assigned raises this year to part-time personnel according to their years of service.

Per intergovernmental agreement, county radios were received last week. The Chief met with the county and they will be putting the radios on our frequency.

Chief Vollinger will be standing in as a speaker at the upcoming NIAFPD Conference.

Deputy Chief

The new aerial truck has arrived and the personnel are currently undergoing driver training. A representative will be out Thursday, Friday and Saturday for ladder operation. The truck is being outfitted and will hopefully be in service by the end of January.

Surplus equipment – the Crown Victoria will be listed on Ebay. The Hispanic Alliance has expressed interest in the ambulance, and the D/C will give him a few more days to make an offer.

Due to operational difficulties, we may need to replace two or three of our current Kenwood radios with Motorolas.

Commissioners

The new hire testing has been completed and the final list is established. The Battalion Chief testing is posted; the tentative dates are 4/5 and 4/12. Engineer testing began last month.

Attorney

Village of Justice has promised to work on the Sterling Estates issue shortly.

Due to a schedule conflict Mr. Ryan will be refileing for a new court date for the tollway annexation.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

The meeting schedule for the calendar year of 2010 will continue to be the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.

Recess – Closed Session

Trustee Kelly entertained a motion to recess the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees and open a closed session to discuss personnel and testing. So moved by Trustee Stratakos. Trustee Lorenz second. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved. Regular meeting recessed at 6:18 p.m.

Regular meeting resumed at 6:27 p.m.

Adjournment

Trustee Kelly entertained a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. So moved by Trustee Stratakos. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.