

**BLOOMINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1**

179 S. Bloomingdale Road  
Bloomington, IL 60108

Minutes of the Regular  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
September 19, 2019

At 4:00 P.M. President DiBuono called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

On a call of the roll, the following Trustees were present: DiBuono, Deutschle, and Gaseor  
(Minutes recorded by Chief Janus)

Also present was Chief Janus, DC Kurka, Accountant James Howard, Attorney DiNolfo.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

At 4:02 P.M. President DiBuono made a motion to deviate from the agenda to perform Oath of Office for Deputy Chief Kurka, BC Soderstrom, Lt Lopez, Probationary FFPM Gloodt and Probationary FFPM Pennington. Ceremony took place on Apparatus Floor. Seconded by Trustee Gaseor.

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, yes; Deutschle, yes; Gaseor, yes; Motion carried.

At 4:55 P.M. The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees reconvened.  
FFPM Heckenbach and Kristi Starr were in attendance.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Monthly Report:

Chief Janus reported that the district responded to 446 calls for service in August, averaging 14 calls/day. Some calls of interest included a Box Alarm Fire due to a lightning strike on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the Eaglewood Resort during the final round of the BMW Championship. The Chief commented that the fire response went very well and crews had trained on high-rise operations recently. This incident was commented on by Professional Golfer Phil Mickelson on Twitter.

Chief remarked on special events during the month: Chiefs attended a variety of meetings and events throughout the month. Of importance were multiple planning meetings for the BMW Championship, and a Labor-Management Meeting on August 28<sup>th</sup> with another meeting scheduled for September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Janus provided a brief overview of the training in July: over 767 hours completed with over 1200 drill entries. Crews participated in a Mass Casualty Drill with Alliance departments, as well as pre-planning and preparation for the BMW Championship.

EMS: Lt Lopez is working on providing training to area schools on the "Stop the Bleed" program.

Public Education: Chief commented that it was an active month; crews attended the Bloomingdale Library's Ice Cream Social, National Night Out, Westfield Subdivision Corn Roast, multiple block parties, and Frozen Treats with a Firefighter at the Stratford Square McDonald's.

Fire Prevention: Also very active with numerous annual life safety inspections as well as new occupancy and remodel inspections. Fire Inspector Rand E. Roberts started his new position on August 12<sup>th</sup>. Chief commended the Fire Prevention Bureau for their efforts during the BMW Championship.

Chief Janus reported that FFPM Dave Miller was on the front page of the Daily Herald, playing wiffle ball, during National Night Out. He also reported that there is a mural at the new Texas Roadhouse that honors Bloomingdale Police and Fire personnel. FFPM Bzdelik competed in the World Police and Fire Games in Chengdu, China and took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in his weight class with a bench press of 314.5 lbs. and a deadlift of 501.5 lbs. Chief reported that the Amazon TV Production for Utopia will be starting again and continue through early October, filming is being conducted at Indian Lakes and they are also using Stratford Square. Chief also advised the Board of the upcoming Emergency Preparedness Conference in Glendale Heights.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Gaseor moved, Deutschle seconded a motion to waive the reading of, approve and release the minutes of the regular meeting August 15, 2019.

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, yes; Deutschle, yes; Gaseor, yes; Motion carried.

Gaseor moved, Deutschle seconded a motion to waive the reading of, approve and hold the minutes of the closed session meeting August 15, 2019.

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, yes; Deutschle, yes; Gaseor, yes; Motion carried.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Accountant James Howard presented a report to the Board for the month ending September 30, 2019.

Treasurer Deutschle requested the Treasurer's Report. After a review of the current bills, Deutschle moved, Gaseor seconded a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 672,473.50

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, yes; Deutschle, yes; Gaseor, yes; Motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Hanover Park Update: no update

Personnel Update: To be discussed in closed session

Pending Litigation: To be discussed in closed session

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

BMW Championship After Action Review. Chief provided the Board with a report from the DuPage County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security. The BMW Championship took place from August 13-18 at Medinah Country Club. There were 28 federal, State and local government entities represented. There were over 131,000 spectators throughout the week, with the highest daily attendance of 35,000. There were 3 evacuations of the course due to weather. On Sunday morning there were 249 lightning strikes within the 8-mile safety radius, in a 20-minute period, including a strike to the Command Post at Lake Park H.S. and the Eaglewood Resort. A total of 225 people were assessed for medical issues, resulting in 6 transports. The Unified Command Post was open for operations a total of 78.5 hours and staffed with approximately 25 personnel. The Chief commended District personnel for all of their assistance that made it a safe and successful event.

Discussion/Possible Action- Date Change for October Meeting. Chief asked the Board to consider changing the date of the October meeting due to some scheduling conflicts. After some discussion, Gaseor moved, seconded by Deutschle a motion to cancel the October 17, 2019, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting and re-schedule the meeting for October 15, 2019 at 1600 hours.

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, yes; Deutschle, yes; Gaseor, yes; Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Action- RFP New Phone System. Chief advised the Board that the current telephone system is almost 20 years old and still uses copper wire. As technology evolves, copper wire is becoming more expensive. The Board directed the Chief to explore information, options, and pricing for a new phone system.

Discussion/Possible Action- HVAC/Humidity Audit Report. Chief provided the Board with an analysis of the HVAC system provided by a consultant. The report identified multiple issues. The Chief stated that staff would need more time to review and explore options.

Discussion/Possible Action- DuComm Fire Funding Formula. Chief provided information to the Board from DuComm on the proposed change to the funding formula. In 2017, a subcommittee was established at DuComm to explore options on the fire funding formula. Historically, fees are collected based on Equalized Assessed Values, which some municipalities have claimed to be unfair. There will be an information sharing meeting on September 25<sup>th</sup> at 3 P.M. and October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 P.M. at DuComm. The proposed change of phasing in a 50/50 EAV/Call Total program will be voted on at the October DuComm Board of Directors Meeting.

Discussion/Possible Action- LifePak 15 Cardiac Monitor. Chief presented a proposal to purchase a new LifePak 15 Cardiac Monitor to be used on the new Ambulance. The vendor is providing a \$5,000 credit to trade in our existing monitor and there is a price increase at the end of the month. The vendor has also agreed to delay shipping the monitor until January, closer to when we take delivery of the Ambulance. DiBuono moved, seconded by Gaseor to authorize the purchase of LifePak 15 monitor, accessories, and 4-year service agreement at a cost not to exceed \$33,055.50, which includes trade-in credit for existing monitor.

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, yes; Deutschle, yes; Gaseor, yes; Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Action- Power Load Cot and System. Chief presented a proposal to purchase a Stryker Power Load Cot and Load System with service agreement to be installed on the new Ambulance.

DiBuono moved, seconded by Gaseor to authorize the purchase of a Stryker MTS Power Load Cot and Power-Pro XT Load System with service agreement at a cost not to exceed \$51,526.00.

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, yes; Deutschle, yes; Gaseor, yes; Motion carried.

At 5:20 P.M. DiBuono moved, seconded by Gaseor to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing:

*Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the District (5ILCS 120/2 ( c ) (1)*

*Probable or Imminent Litigation (5ILCS 120/2 (c) (11)*

At 6:04 P.M. the Board reconvened following closed session.

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, present; Deutschle, present; Gaseor, present

Also present was Chief Janus, DC Kurka, Attorney DiNolfo.

No action was taken in closed session

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Family Health & Safety Fair – October 2

Village of Glendale Heights – Emergency Preparedness Initiative- October 10 & 11

Illinois Fire Chiefs Conference – October 13-16

Fire Prevention Open House - October 19

100 Club Dinner – October 30

At 6:12 P.M. DiBuono moved, Deutschle seconded a motion to adjourn.

ROLL CALL: DiBuono, yes; Deutschle, yes; Gaseor, yes: Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert G. Gaseor  
Secretary