



**MINUTES OF THE REGUAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LINCOLNSHIRE-RIVERWOODS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

February 15th, 2023

**HELD AT 671 WOODLAND PARKWAY, VERNON HILLS,
VERNON TOWNSHIP, LAKE COUNTY ILLNOIS**

Trustee Chris Kennedy called the February 15th, 2023, meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Protection District to order at 2:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance at the Station 53 (671 Woodlands Parkway) Training Room.

A roll call attendance was taken as follows: Trustee Chris Kennedy–present; Trustee Anthony Hanes – present; Trustee Wendy Meister-present. The record shows that Trustee Meister arrived at 2:07 p.m.

Also, in attendance were Chief Tom Krueger, Deputy Chief Scott Knesley, Deputy Chief Mike Brown, James Howard - Governmental Accounting; IT Coordinator/Project Manager Keith Halfman, Attorney Shawn Flaherty, and several LRFD members. Quorum present.

Public comment – No comments or questions were made from the present audience.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Hanes to approve the January 18th, 2023, meeting minutes as written, seconded by Trustee Kennedy. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hanes–yes; Trustee Meister-absent Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Hanes to approve the January 18th, 2023, closed session minutes as written, seconded by Trustee Kennedy. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hanes–yes; Trustee Meister-absent Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: James Howard-Governmental Accounting, reviewed the February 2023 Treasurer’s report with the Board. A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented, seconded by Trustee Meister. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Kennedy – yes; Trustee Hanes – yes; Trustee Meister-yes Motion carried.

CURRENT MONTHLY BILLS: A motion was made by Trustee Hanes to ratify paid bills for the current month per the Board List of Bills report in the amount of \$446,924.97 seconded by Trustee Kennedy. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Kennedy – yes; Trustee Hanes – yes; Trustee Meister-yes Motion carried.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Shawn Flaherty discussed that Governor’s ordered COVID mandates will expire on May 11th, 2023. Attorney Flaherty advised the Board that the Illinois appellate court on affirmed a previous court ruling that two (2) new consolidated investment funds combining the assets of the state's municipal police and firefighters' pension funds are constitutional.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Tom Krueger updated the Board on:

1. Chief Krueger informed the Board of current injury status of three (3) firefighters.
2. Chief Krueger updated the Board that four (4) firefighter paramedic will be disposed in regard to an EMS call.
3. Collective Bargaining Agreement was agreed in principle with Local 4224. The union will have a ratification meeting on March 6th.
4. Division Leaders are working with Deputy Knesley on budget year 2023-24. Budget workshop for year 2023-2024 will be held at April Board of Trustees meeting.
5. Firefighter Mike Vitale (K9 handler) has purchased a new search and rescue canine (Koda). Training will commence immediately.
6. The Station 52 insulation project is complete. Drywall repair has been scheduled.
7. Deputy Chief Brown updated the Board about 911 Emergency Center (dispatch) to be built in Libertyville. DC Brown is a member of the committee and will update the Board as needed.

NEW STATION PROJECT UPDATE:

1. Chief Krueger informed the Board that current Station 51 remodel project most recent proposal was for \$1.9 million dollars. The Chief Staff and Station project committee are evaluating the costs involved and future endeavors for station remodel and resource allocation.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New aerial apparatus (Truck 53) was dedicated ("push in" ceremony) at Station 53.
2. A motion was made by Trustee Meister to approve Resolution 22-23-06 (Surplus Equipment), seconded by Trustee Hanes. A roll call vote was taken as follows:
Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hanes–yes; Trustee Meister–yes Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made to enter into closed session at for the purpose of any lawful action and to discuss the to discuss the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the District (5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) and Collective Negotiating Matters (5ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) and Pending Probable or Imminent Litigation (5ILCS 120/2 (c) (11) by Trustee Hanes, seconded by Trustee Kennedy. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Kennedy – yes; Trustee Hanes – yes; Trustee Meister–yes Motion carried.

Closed session was entered at 2:49 pm.

Present at the closed session was Chief Tom Krueger; Deputy Chief Scott Knesley, Deputy Chief Mike Brown, Battalion Chief Eric Levernier, Attorney Shawn Flaherty, Trustee Kennedy, Trustee Hanes, Trustee Meister

At 4:01 pm, a motion was made by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Meister to exit closed session, and enter into regular open meeting. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Kennedy – yes; Trustee Hanes – yes; Trustee Meister–yes Motion carried.

Open session was opened to the public at 4:03 pm

ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION:

1. No action was taken.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Signature of District documents, as applicable

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn meeting at 4:04 pm by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Hanes. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Kennedy – yes; Trustee Hanes – yes; Trustee Meister-yes

Motion carried.

Secretary, Board of Trustees (LRFPD)