



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

November 17th, 2024

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

Trustee Kennedy called the November 17th, 2024, meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Protection District to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance at the Station 53 (671 Woodlands Parkway) Training Room.

Roll call attendance was taken as follows: Trustee Chris Kennedy–present;
Trustee Julia Hamilton – present; Trustee Wendy Meister-present.

Quorum present.

Also, in attendance were Chief Tom Krueger, Deputy Chief Eric Levernier, Deputy Chief Mike Brown, James Howard - Governmental Accounting (electronic media); IT Coordinator/Project Manager Keith Halfman, Attorney Kelli Melin, members of the LRFD and family members.

Budget Hearing – At 7:25 pm, a motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to open the budget hearing, seconded by Trustee Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes; Trustee Meister–yes Motion carried.

There were no comments from the public, at 7:28 pm, a motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to close the budget hearing, seconded by Trustee Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes; Trustee Meister–yes Motion carried.

Public comment – None

MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to approve November 19th, 2024, regular and closed meeting minutes as written, seconded by Trustee Meister. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes; Trustee Meister–yes Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: James Howard-Governmental Accounting reviewed the November 2024 Treasurer’s report with the Board. A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented, seconded by Trustee Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Kennedy – yes; Trustee Hamilton – yes; Trustee Meister–yes Motion carried.

CURRENT MONTHLY BILLS: A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to ratify paid bills for the current month per the Board List of Bills report in the amount of \$3,826,292.63 seconded by Trustee Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Trustee Kennedy – yes; Trustee Hamilton – yes; Trustee Meister–yes Motion carried.

ATTORNEY REPORT: No report.

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

1. Chief Krueger updated the Board on the positive progression of our current Candidates.
2. Chief Krueger updated the Board on current firefighter off/on duty injury status.
3. Four (4) new Candidates started on October 1st. Two (2) Candidates will graduate from the fire academy on December 6th. Two (2) Candidates are progressing well in paramedic school.
4. The 1st Annual LRFD Holiday party will be on December 7th (1130-2pm) at Station 53.
5. Lt Paul Schebel's walkout ceremony will be held on November 22nd at 1100 (Station 53).

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lieutenant Alex Nunez was given his Oath of Office (Lieutenant).
2. Firefighter Jesus Garcia was presented with his completion of probation certificates.
3. A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to approve Ordinance 24-25-02 (Ambulance fee amendment) as presented, seconded by Trustee Meister. A roll call vote was taken as follows:
Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes: Trustee Meister–yes. Motion carried.
4. A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to approve Ordinance 24-25-03 (Tax Levy) presented, seconded by Trustee Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken as follows:
Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes: Trustee Meister–yes. Motion carried.
5. A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to approve the Board of Commissioners to provide Chief Krueger with the next qualified candidate on final eligibility list, seconded by Trustee Meister. A roll call vote was taken as follows:
Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes: Trustee Meister–yes. Motion carried.
6. A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to approve the 2025 IPRF Workman's Compensation proposal as presented, seconded by Trustee Meister. A roll call vote was taken as follows:
Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes: Trustee Meister–yes. Motion carried.
7. A motion was made by Trustee Hamilton to approve the request from the Board of Fire Commissioners to provide the name from the Lieutenant promotional list to fill a vacancy as presented by Chief Krueger, seconded by Trustee Meister.
A roll call vote was taken as follows:
Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes: Trustee Meister–yes. Motion carried.
8. Lt. Jason Stockton's Public Safety Employee Benefits Act (PSEBA)

CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made to enter into closed session at 7:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters concerning 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1), (5), (11) by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

Closed session was entered at 7:55 p.m.

Present at the closed session were Attorney Keli Melin, Trustee Kennedy, Trustee Meister, Trustee Hamilton, Chief Tom Krueger, Deputy Chief Eric Levernier, Deputy Chief Mike Brown, Keith Halfman (Project Manager/IT), Battalion Chief Tyler Reynolds

Battalion Chief Tyler Reynolds and Keith Halfman exited the closed session at 8:10 pm.

At 8:49 p.m., a motion was made by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Hamilton to exit closed session, and enter into regular open meeting. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:52 p.m.

ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION:

1. A motion was made by Trustee Kennedy to deny Lt Jason Stockton's PSEBA request based upon the evidence presented to the Board of Trustees in the closed session, seconded by Trustee Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Kennedy–yes; Trustee Hamilton–yes: Trustee Meister-yes. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Signature of District documents, as applicable

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

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

Secretary, Board of Trustees (LRFPD)