

Trustee Badtke listed proposed expenditures in the amount of \$674,560.80

President DeRuntz made a motion to approve the proposed expenditures. Trustee Badtke seconded the motion.

It was noted that the payment for the ambulance purchase was not included in the approved payments although it was previously approved by the Board. The amount of the first payment is \$104,284.80. This brought the total proposed expenditures to \$778,844.90.

President DeRuntz made a motion to amend the proposed expenditures to include the first payment for the ambulance purchase. Trustee Badtke seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Badtke, DeRuntz

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: There was no report.

Fire Chief's Report: Chief Friedl provided the Trustee's with the August monthly report. He informed the Board that the Exchange Club recently awarded John McNeil with the Firefighter of the Year Award, and that last year's recipient, Chris Kane, was recently named the State of Illinois American Legion Firefighter of the Year. Deputy Chief Kavanagh stated that the fire department received a \$149,000 grant from FEMA that was used to purchase advanced technology equipment for the ambulances.

Attorney's Report: There was no report.

OLD BUSINESS

Ambulance Billing Complaints: There are none at this time.

Annexations: Ms. Spring reported that she has received one annexation notice and that the hearing was held on September 13th. She will add the property to her database.

District Investments: There were no actions to be taken at this time.

Fall Newsletter: Trustee Klauber is working on the fall newsletter.

TIF Update: President DeRuntz reported that he continues to represent the District's interests in regard to the TIF process taking place in Beach Park. He noted that there was a recent article in the Lake County News-Sun about the TIF District.

MESS Donation: President DeRuntz made a motion to confirm the previous action to make a \$1,000 donation to M.E.S.S. Trustee Badtke seconded the motion.

AYES: Badtke, DeRuntz

NAYS: None.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Draft Levy Review: Ms. Spring provided the Trustees with a copy of the proposed draft levy and notice. She stated that based on previous discussions, this draft levy shows a levy of every item that was appropriated. She stated that the levy could be modified by, for example, not levying for the reserves. President DeRuntz noted that this levy is only the request, and that it was up to the County what the District would get.

President DeRuntz made a motion to approve the draft levy as presented to be published prior to final approval. Trustee Badtke seconded the motion.

Trustee Badtke asked Ms. Spring to define the levy for the benefit of those in attendance. Ms. Spring stated that the levy is the direction from the Fire Protection District to the County to raise the amount of money that is requested and to spread that amount among all the residents of the fire protection district through a tax. Trustee Badtke inquired about including the reserve fund in the levy, and Ms. Spring stated that although the levy is related to the appropriation ordinance and it is shown as a one-to-one relationship, the control over how the money is spent is in the ordinance, not the levy. A levy for \$1,000,000 is shown across from the reserves, however when it comes in it can be appropriated as the Board approves. The \$1,000,000 in the appropriation ordinance is not a statement that there is \$1,000,000 in reserves, it's an authorization for the Board to put \$1,000,000 in the reserve fund. Trustee Badtke stated he felt that including that amount in the levy seemed excessive. Ms. Spring stated that is a decision for the Trustees to make and is not a legal decision. Trustee Badtke suggested reducing the levy by removing the \$2,000,000 currently levied for reserves (\$1,000,000 in the General Corporate Fund and \$1,000,000 in the Special Ambulance Fund). President DeRuntz inquired about the timeline for approving the levy for publication. He suggested tabling this for now.

AYES: None.

NAYS: Badtke, DeRuntz

Motion failed.

President DeRuntz requested that Ms. Spring remove the \$2,000,000 as discussed above and provide the calculations to the Trustees by email to review and provide direction prior to the hearing on November 17th, 2010. A special meeting may be necessary to review the draft levy in order for the notice to be published according to the required timeline prior to the hearing.

Newsletter: The fall newsletter will be done in print, and the cover story will inform residents that the newsletter is going to be done primarily electronically in the future. Ms. Moreno will begin receiving requests from residents to receive the electronic newsletter and building the Constant Contact account. There are a couple minor changes to the newsletter contract between the District and Ms. Moreno that all pertain to timing (i.e., this is being implemented in the fall instead of the spring). Ms. Moreno requested that the Board appoint one person as the contact person for matters pertaining to the newsletter. The Trustees agreed that Trustee Klauber would be the most appropriate person to coordinate newsletters with Ms. Moreno. Ms. Spring stated

that she would make the changes to the newsletter and Ms. Moreno agreed with waiting until the next meeting to take action on it.

Public Act 09-0969: Ms. Spring noted that Illinois Public Act 96-0969 sets the eligibility requirements for Fire District Trustees. Specifically, it says that “no person is eligible to serve on the board of any fire protection district if that person has been convicted of a felony under the laws of this State or comparable laws of any other state or the United States or is in arrears in the payment of a tax or other indebtedness due to a fire protection district.”

Trustee Badtke made a motion to approve compliance with this public act. President DeRuntz seconded the motion.

Ms. Spring stated that one way to confirm eligibility would be for each Trustee to confirm on the record that he has never been convicted of a felony and is current on their tax payment. President DeRuntz recommended that the Board give Ms. Spring the authority to certify compliance with this state law. Trustee Badtke stated that he believed that the County Board holds this responsibility because they appoint the Trustees and that this does not fall under this Board’s responsibilities.

Trustee Badtke amended his previous motion to state that this Board recognizes that it is bound by Illinois Public Act 96-0969. President DeRuntz seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken.

AYES: DeRuntz

NAYS: Badtke

Motion failed.

Consideration of moving public comment on the agenda: The Trustees agreed to move public comment to the beginning of the agenda so that residents that wish to address the board do not have to wait through the entire meeting.

Insurance Renewal: Ms. Spring provided the Trustees with the proposed insurance renewal. It was noted that there is a problem with bonding each Trustee up to \$200,000 because the Treasurer is working with approximately \$5 million.

President DeRuntz made a motion to approve the insurance renewal proposal and ask for a quote to increase the bond amount to \$5 million. Trustee Badtke seconded the motion.

AYES: Badtke, DeRuntz

NAYS: None.

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Trustee Badtke stated that the Grandwood Park District has built a new community center and is interested in requesting that the District consider providing and automated external defibrillator (AED) and the cost of training for the staff. President DeRuntz stated that they may approach the Board with a request in the future. It was noted that the Board should use caution when considering providing a donation to another public body.

Closed Session: None.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Warren-Waukegan Fire Protection District will be November 17, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. Ms. Spring reviewed the agenda items with the Trustees.

Adjournment: Having no further business to come before the Board, President DeRuntz made a motion to adjourn at 8:34 p.m. Trustee Badtke seconded the motion.

AYES: Badtke, DeRuntz

NAYS: None.

Motion carried.

Secretary of WWFPD

Date minutes approved