

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE WAUCONDA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Wauconda Fire Protection District was called to order on Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at Wauconda Fire Station 1, 109 W. Liberty Street, Wauconda, Illinois.

ATTENDANCE: Those present were President Hogan, Trustee McGill, Trustee Planas, and Trustee White. Trustee Gertz was present via Zoom. Also present were Chief Geary, Deputy Chief Buschick, Deputy Chief Kane, and the personnel listed on the attached sheet.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All in attendance participated in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING: Chief Geary informed the district board that there were no significant changes to the draft Budget and Appropriations Ordinance as presented in the March 2021 meeting. A motion was made by Trustee McGill, seconded by Trustee Planas, to close the Public Hearing of the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the Wauconda Fire Protection District Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022. On call of roll:

Ayes:	Hogan, McGill, Planas, White, Gertz
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee McGill, seconded by Trustee Planas, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 18, 2021 as presented. On call of roll:

Ayes:	Hogan, McGill, Planas, White, Gertz
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Trustee White gave the March Treasurer’s Report. A motion by Trustee McGill, seconded by Trustee Planas, to approve the March 2021 Financial Report as presented. On call of roll:

Ayes:	Hogan, McGill, Planas, White, Gertz
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter from Lake Zurich Fire Department thanking our duty crews for assistance on their commercial structure fire March 31, 2021 and a letter from residents in regards to the large brush fire that occurred in March. The residents gave special recognition to FireMedic Seth Dishno and Deputy Chief Chas Buschick for their additional attention they had provided to the residents.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: President Hogan asked the district board members to check their email as he was trying to put a succession planning committee together and would like a volunteer.

STAFF REPORT: Chief Geary commented on the Monthly Report that was distributed to the Trustees and will be distributed to officials at the municipalities in our fire district. There also has been about 5 calls since March 1st that used the ET3 platform that was implemented. All of the cardiac monitors that were approved for purchase and are working fantastically. They are very impressive pieces of equipment. Deputy Chief Buschick commented on the completion of the budget and noted the few minor changes that were made from the draft to the final copy that will be approved later today. Union negotiations have been a big focus the last few months wrapping up today with board approval. Division Chief Miller informed the board that individuals are wrapping up the state certification for Rope Operations, we have scheduled training drills with Round Lake next month hoping the weather will cooperate. Deputy Chief Kane updated the board with the status of the next round of Full Time Testing. The Commission hired an outside vendor to handle the application process for the district. FireMedic Finney, FireMedic Herdegen and FireMedic Faczek helped with training in McHenry for the districts Cadets. Director Steingart updated the board on the various grant opportunities that are still available and what has been awarded since the last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: APPROVAL OF THE 2021-2022 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE. A motion was made by Trustee McGill, seconded by Trustee Planas, to approve Ordinance 2021-0-01, an Ordinance Adopting the Budget and Appropriations for the Wauconda Fire Protection District Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2021 and Ending April 30, 2022. On call of roll:

Ayes:	Hogan, McGill, Planas, White, Gertz
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Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: APPROVAL OF AN ACCOUNT BALANCE TRANSFER: A motion was made by Trustee McGill, seconded by Trustee White, to approve the fund balance transfer as presented.

On call of roll:

Ayes: Hogan, McGill, Planas, White, Gertz
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION: Trustee Gertz informed those in attendance that participation in this round of the 360 review had 30% more participation. He also discussed the timeline for the rest of this round.

CLOSED SESSION: Motion by Trustee McGill, seconded by Trustee Planas, to go into Closed Session for the purposes of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of this public body, [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)] and to discuss Collective Negotiating matters between this Public Body and its employees or their representatives [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)] at 03:20 p.m.

RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION: Motion by Trustee McGill, seconded by Trustee Planas, to return to open Session at 3:50 pm.

On call of roll:

Ayes: Hogan, McGill, Planas, White, Gertz
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUATION: POSSIBLE ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

REGARDING APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT: A motion by Trustee Planas, seconded by Trustee White, to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Wauconda Fire Protection District and the Wauconda Professionals Firefighters Union Local 4876 to be effective May 1, 2021.

On call of roll:

Ayes: Hogan, McGill, Planas, White, Gertz
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

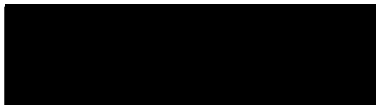
ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee White, seconded by Trustee Planas, to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

On call of roll:

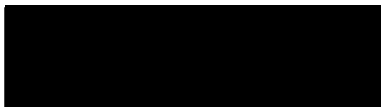
Ayes: Hogan, McGill, Planas, White, Gertz
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Recording Secretary



Secretary, Board of Trustees, Wauconda Fire District

Approved by the Board of Trustees at its May 20, 2021 meeting