

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INVERNESS
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
HELD THE 8th DAY OF MAY, 2023
AT INVERNESS FIRE STATION #36
35 N. ELA ROAD, INVERNESS, ILLINOIS

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inverness Fire Protection District was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

A roll call was taken, and the following Trustees were present: Trustee Aaron DelMar, Trustee Robert McKanna, Trustee Gerald Chapman. Chief Kurka was also present.

There was no one present from the public. There were no questions or comments for the Board.

Chief Kurka indicated that Palatine Township has reappointed Dr. Gerald Chapman to the Board of Trustees for a three-year term ending April 30, 2026. The Oath of Office was administered to Trustee Chapman. The Board congratulated Trustee Chapman on his reappointment.

A motion was made by Trustee McKanna to nominate Trustee DelMar for the position of President of the Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Trustee Chapman. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes, and Trustee Chapman voting yes.

A motion was made by Trustee Chapman to nominate Trustee McKanna for the position of Treasurer of the Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Trustee McKanna. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes, and Trustee Chapman voting yes.

A motion was made by Trustee DelMar to nominate Trustee Chapman for the position of Secretary of the Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Trustee McKanna. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes, and Trustee Chapman voting yes.

A motion was made by Trustee DelMar to approve Items #1-5 of the Consent Agenda:

- Item #1 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes – April 10, 2023
- Item #2 – Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes – None
- Item #3 – Approval of Financial Report for month ending – April 30, 2023
- Item #4 – Approval of Bill List and November expenditures - \$396,615.64
- Item #5 – Approval of additional bills – \$8,025.06

The motion was seconded by Trustee McKanna. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes and Trustee Chapman voting yes.

Chief Kurka introduced Monika from Lauterbach & Amen, who attended via Zoom. Monika reviewed items of interest and importance from Lauterbach & Amen's FY 2022 annual audit. The Board had some questions regarding the reduction in overall assets of approximately \$650,000. Monika indicated she would like to review the supporting audit information and provide the Board with a more detailed explanation after this meeting.

Chief Kurka reviewed items contained in the Chief's Report.

FF/PM Seth Myers was promoted to the position of LT/PM as of May 6, 2023. Lt. Myers will be the Shift Officer on Black Shift, taking the place of newly retired Lt. Pete Retuerto.

Chief Kurka anticipates having an official swearing in of Lt. Myers, Probationary FF/PM Eric Clausen, and the three probationary FF/PM's that will be hired in June and July.

The Annual Awards Dinner will be held on December 1st at the Inverness Country Club.

Discussion was conducted regarding placement of the District's funds for maximum benefit of current interest rates. Staff has received information from Sawyer Falduto offering close to 5% for a money market account and slightly over 5% for short term CDs. The Board asked Staff to take advantage of the higher rates and local banks to maximize return on District funds.

Dawn provided the Board with information as it relates to requirements for the Capital Bond money. According to the Bond Counsel at Chapman and Culer, the District has three years before it needs to worry about paying arbitrage rebates. If there is leftover money after the three-year time frame, then the District will need to yield restrict the investment of the money and move it to an investment with a yield lower than the bond yield of 1.6713%. The District can earn above the bond yield until that date because they are considered a "small issuer".

A motion was made by Trustee DelMar to appoint Mr. Charles Fritz and Ms. Sara Cox to the District's Efficiency Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee McKanna. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes, and Trustee Chapman voting yes.

A motion was made by Trustee Chapman to approve Ordinance 2023-001, An Ordinance Creating and Authorizing a Committee Pursuant to and in Compliance with the Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act as modified to include a meeting time of 9:30 am on the established meeting dates. The motion was seconded by Trustee McKanna. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes, and Trustee Chapman voting yes.

A motion was made by Trustee Chapman to table approval of the FY 2022 Annual Audit until the June Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee DelMar. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes, and Trustee Chapman voting yes.

Discussion was conducted regarding the proposed Deer Park annexation. Chief Kurka has received a written request from Deer Park for the Inverness Fire Protection District to provide emergency services to the properties involved in the proposed annexation. The Board has no issues with providing services to Deer Park for those properties.

A motion was made by Trustee McKanna to approve the Foreign Fire Insurance Board's purchase request dated May 8, 2023 for items totaling \$38,680.00 as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee DelMar. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes, Trustee Chapman voting yes.

Discussion was conducted regarding the current Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Palatine for services to areas of the Inverness Fire Protection District.

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Trustee McKanna to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 9:57 a.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Chapman. A roll call vote was taken with Trustee DelMar voting yes, Trustee McKanna voting yes, and Trustee Chapman voting yes.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be at 9:00 a.m. on June 12, 2023.

Approved this 12th day of June, 2023, by a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: DelMar, McKanna, Chapman

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

Aaron DelMar
President
Inverness Fire Protection District

ATTEST:

Gerald Chapman
Secretary
Inverness Fire Protection District