

Bensenville Fire Protection District #2
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2024

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BENSENVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #2
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bensenville Fire Protection District #2 was held at Station 107 located at 500 S. York Road, Bensenville, IL on April 16, 2024.

Board Members:

Mr. Jerry Budnik, President	Doug Halverson, Fire Chief/Administrator
Mr. Douglas Eltman, Treasurer	Attorney Joseph Miller
Mr. Nicholas Panicola Sr., Secretary	

At 4:30pm, Trustee Budnik called the regular meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Roll call: Jerry Budnik present, Douglas Eltman present, Nicholas Panicola present. It was determined that a quorum was present.

Public Comments

None

Reading of Minutes

Trustee Budnik made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes, Item I, of the March 21, 2024, regular meeting, and approve them as written. Trustee Eltman seconded. Minutes were approved. Roll call vote: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Treasurer's Report and Approval of Accounts Payable

Trustee Budnik made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as written, and the expenses and payroll as follows:

March 2024 Operating Expenses:	\$ 90,943.77
March 2024 Other Funds:	\$ 58,768.27
March 2024 Payroll:	\$ 365,367.54
Total:	\$ 515,079.58

Trustee Eltman seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.

Old Business

None.

New Business

- a) The board moved to the swearing in of 2 Full time Shift members for Bensenville Fire Protection District #2. FF/PM Paul Garcia Campos and FF/PM Zach Kunzer. President Trustee Jerry Budnik read them their oath of office and swore them in.
- b) Trustee Budnik made a motion to approve The Bensenville Fire Protection District #2 Foreign Fire Insurance Fund's Bylaws. Trustee Eltman Seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.
- c) Trustee Budnik made a motion to approve the Bensenville Fire Protection District 2023 Report For Compliance With The Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency Act. Trustee Eltman Seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved.
- d) Trustee Budnik made a motion to approve the upcoming ADA compliance construction work & remodel of station 107 (excluding the elevator) not to exceed \$500,000.00. Trustee Eltman Seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved
- e) Moved to pass this item until after closed session

Correspondence

- a) Executive Assistant Murphy read a letter from a resident thanking the Fire District for helping her exit a locked bank entrance after being stuck for almost 2 hours.

Announcements & Reports

- Attorney's Report:
Attorney Miller updated the board on current legislation on the Fire Fighters Paternity Act, House bill #3908. He also updated the board on the Access Accumulation of Funds Act.
- Chief's Report:
Chief reported on number and types of calls for the month and year to date. EMS update. Chief highlighted calls of mention. Specific highlight on a Structure Fire at a 3 story Apartment building & a press release regarding this call. Discussion on training attended by members. Update on specific calls responded by shift. Update on Apparatus maintenance, repairs and the surplus of a vehicle. Update on station maintenance and repairs. Update on meetings Chief attended. Updates regarding education, drills &

training including continued education done by the Officers and shift personnel. Chief read correspondence received.

- Calendar of Events & Other Announcements:
None

Closed Session

Trustee Budnik made a motion to recess at 4:59pm to a Closed Session. Trustee Eltman seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved

Meeting recessed at 4:59pm.

The regular meeting was reconvened at 5:29pm. Roll call vote: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye. It was determined a quorum was present.

New Business con't

e)Trustee Budnik motioned to approve to increase Chief Halverson's salary to \$160,000.00 effective the anniversary of his hire date of 4/11/2024. Trustee Eltman seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved

Other Business

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Budnik made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 pm. Trustee Eltman seconded. Roll call: Trustee Budnik, aye; Trustee Eltman, aye; Trustee Panicola, aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Approved

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.



Nicholas Panicola Sr., Secretary