

**ROBERTS PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2007**

Call to Order Trustee Steve Stratakos called the meeting of the Roberts Park Fire Protection District Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Firehouse. Group assembled recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Trustee.....	Joseph Kelly
Trustee.....	Patrick Lorenz
Trustee.....	Steve Stratakos
Chief.....	William Doherty
Deputy Chief.....	Frederick Vollinger
Commissioner.....	Jerry Dietz
Commissioner.....	Joseph Kaech
Commissioner.....	Kenneth Osborne
Administrative Assistant.....	Don Fontana
Attorney.....	Rick Ryan
Accountant.....	Terry Coleman
Recording Secretary.....	Kelly Kulzer

Ordinance No. 07-O-06 Trustee Kelly moved to approve Ordinance No. 07-O-06, the tax levy ordinance for FY 5/1/07-4/30/08. Trustee Lorenz second. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved.

Open to the Floor No one spoke during this portion of the meeting.

Board Approval

Minutes – Regular Meeting Trustee Stratakos moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 13, 2007 as presented. No additions or corrections. Trustee Lorenz second. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved.

Accounts Payable & Treasurer’s Report Trustee Lorenz entertained a motion to accept the purchase journal and accounts payable ending November 13th in the amount of \$106,083.66. So moved by Trustee Stratakos. Trustee Kelly second. No additions or corrections. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved. Trustee Lorenz moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report and post it on the bulletin board for public view. Trustee Stratakos second. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved.

Budget Review With seven months of the year gone, revenues are slightly behind due to the delay in Justice contract payments, and expenditures are slightly high.

Reports of Officials

Chief

VEMA accounts are currently in the process of being set up with The Hartford by Don Hook and should be ready by the next month.

The Chief went out for bids on Workers' Compensation insurance, and pending further developments with McClure and Associates, will stay with Illinois Public Risk Fund for this policy year.

The Cook County property taxes have begun to come in.

D/C Vollinger and Chief Doherty met with the mayor and a village trustee regarding the Justice agreement. Negotiations are still pending, and the Chief will keep the Board apprised.

The District received two donations from the Hickory Hills Woman's club, \$500 for public education and a \$500 general donation. They have now become a social club and will be unable to make donations in the future.

Lt. Duffy received an achievement award from the IL Fire inspector's Association for his numerous years of service in public education and inspections.

The 2001-02 tax rate objections previously reported on by attorney Rich Jalovec have been settled. The 2001 proposed amount is \$1000.00, the 2002 amount \$1250.00. The court date to finalize the matter is 12/13/07. Trustee Stratakos moved to accept the above proposed amounts per Attorney Jalovec's recommendation. Trustee Lorenz second. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved.

The Board agreed that the Trustees meeting dates for 2008 will be the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at Station 1.

Deputy Chief

Team Haz-Mat Validation will be hosted at Roberts Park for three days of the following week.

The District received the first draw of 2006 FEMA grant of \$31,000 which has gone towards purchase of turnout gear. The grant will be closed out by February 2008.

Commissioners

The Commissioners have completed the final eligibility list for the hire of a new full-time firefighter/paramedic, which contains eighteen candidates.

The Commissioners have received four applications for the Lieutenant's testing, which will take place in February 2008.

The Commissioners congratulated Jeffrey Dees on his promotion to the rank of Lieutenant effective this evening.

Attorney

None.

Unfinished Business

The Board of Trustees Rules and Regulations have been completed with advisement of Karl Ottosen. Trustee Lorenz moved to approve the completed Rules & Regulations. Trustee Stratakos second. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved.

New Business

B/C Tracy reported on the purchase of new 12-lead EKG monitors and congratulated the paramedics on their training and hard work.

Trustee Stratakos moved to approve to begin the hiring process of the next eligible candidate off the full-time firefighter/paramedic list. Trustee Kelly second. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved.

Swearing in of Lieutenant Dees

Jeffrey Dees was sworn in as a Lieutenant of the Roberts Park Fire Protection District and recited an oath of office.

Adjournment

Trustee Stratakos moved to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Lorenz second. Trustees Kelly, Lorenz, Stratakos aye. So approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.