

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
ROCKTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

May 9, 2017

Dennis Stien called the regular meeting of the Rockton Fire Protection District to order at 7:00 p.m. at the District Fire Station.

Present at the meeting were Dennis Stien, Mark Steward, Bryan Northrop Bruce Lans, William Campbell, Chief Kirk Wilson, and Attorney Louis C. Bowman.

Guest: Jodi Ewers, Incoming Trustee, Cheryl Campbell and Sheila Douglass.

Bruce Lans moved approval of the minutes for the regular April 11, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Mark Steward. Discussion had. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

**SPECIAL REPORTS**, A written report was submitted. See attached report.

Mark Steward moved payment of bills as presented. Seconded by Bryan Northrop. Discussion had. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS OR PRESENTATIONS:**

1. No public comment.
2. Chief Kirk Wilson introduced Sheila Douglass to the Board and welcomed her as the new administrative assistant. Discussion had. Motion made.
3. Chief Kirk Wilson thanked and acknowledged the contribution and work of retiring Administrative Assistant Cheryl Campbell and extended his and the Board's best wishes to her in the future. Discussion had.
3. Chief Kirk Wilson thanked and acknowledged the public service, contribution and work of retiring Trustee Bill Campbell after 37 years of faithful service to the Rockton Fire Protection District and the Rockton Community and extended his and the Board's best wishes to him in the future. Discussion had.

4. Chief Kirk Wilson announced a reception for Cheryl and Bill will be had immediately following the Board meeting.
5. Chief Kirk Wilson presented a written Fire and EMS incident report for April, 2017; see attached. Discussion had.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Chief Kirk Wilson brought up the issue of procedure for the District to follow when it is necessary to use commandeered equipment at emergency incidents. It was the Board's consensus that the contractors bill the appropriate insurance company directly. Discussion had. No action taken.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Chief Kirk Wilson presented a proposed budget for fiscal year 2017-2018; see attached. Bruce Lans moved approval of the tentative budget for fiscal year 2017-2018 in the form presented by the Chief for posting. Second by Mark Steward. Discussion had. Motion carried.
2. A discussion was had on a procedure the Board wished to follow in response to tax objection notices going forward like the one forwarded to the Board by Attorney Bowman. Matter laid over to the June meeting for further discussion. No action taken.
3. A discussion was had on the potential use by the District of the Illinois Fire Protection Training Act. Discussion had. Matter laid over for further review. No action taken.
4. Chief Kirk Wilson recommended the approval of a leave of absence request from Lt. Drew Werner for 60 days. William Campbell moved approval. Second by Bryan Northrop. Discussion had. Motion carried.
5. Chief Kirk Wilson reported he is working on a History of the Rockton Fire Protection District. Discussion had. No action taken.
6. Chief Kirk Wilson recommended the District purchase two (2) iPads through Sprint on a two (2) year contract; the monthly cost for each iPad is \$30.42 for the device. \$13.00 for service/warranty plan, \$25 for unlimited data access. William Campbell moved approval. Second by Bruce Lans. Discussion had. Motion carried.
7. Chief Kirk Wilson presented the roster for the appointment of Firefighters and Officers of the District for fiscal year 2017-2018; see attached. Bryan Northrop moved appointment as per the roster list. Second by Bruce Lans. Discussion had. Motion carried.

8. Lt. Free presented information about an online firefighter training program offered by Target Solutions for the Board's review and consideration; see attached. Discussion had. No action taken.

9. Bruce Lans inquired about the status of the District participation in the upcoming Old Settlers' Day activities considering the questions from last year. Discussion had. No action taken.

10. Cheryl and Bill Campbell presented a donation of \$1,000.00 toward the Museum Project expense. Discussion had. No action taken.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

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Secretary