



Mark Kirschhoffer - Fire Chief

Peter Campanella

Joe Stanonik

Doug Reno

Trustees

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Trustees of the  
Newport Township Fire Protection District  
Meeting Date January 11, 2012

**Meeting Called to Order:**

- **The January 11, 2012 Board Meeting** of the Newport Township Fire Protection District was called to order at 8:00 am by Board President Stanonik. The meeting was held at the Newport Township Fire Station and publicly posted.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

- Recitals of the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Board President Stanonik.

**Roll Call:**

- Trustee’s Stanonik, Campanella and Reno were present. A quorum was achieved. Also attending Fire District legal counsel John Kelly, Chief Kirschhoffer and Deputy Chief Edmonds.

**Public Comment:**

- Gerald Nellessen addressed the Board regarding the current fire station and the referendum plan. Having an updated strategic plan which the Department follows is extremely important. Mr. Nellessen asked if the Board has a contingency plan if referendum fails. What is the plan for living quarters if the referendum fails?
- Marvin Raymond addressed the Board and suggested a west side station is critical for the protection of the north and western residents and the approval of tax payers at referendum.

**Approval of Minutes:**

- **December 20, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes;**
- Trustee Stanonik moved to approve December 20, 2011 meeting minutes as presented. Second by Trustee Reno

with a roll call vote as Trustee Stanonik AYE, Trustee Campanella AYE and Trustee Reno AYE. The motion carried.

**Treasurer Report:**

- **January 2012 Treasurer Report**

The January 2012 Treasurer Report was presented by Treasurer Reno. A motion to approve the treasurer report as presented by Trustee Stanonik and second by Trustee Campanella. A roll call vote was called with Trustee Stanonik AYE, Campanella AYE and Reno AYE and no NAY vote. Motion approved.

**Zion/Newport Joint Account Report.**

A second letter was send to the City of Zion legal counsel Scott Puma. A reply from Mr. Puma indicating he was investigating the status of the joint account funds and will reply for the February Newport Board meeting.

**Payment of Bills:**

- Trustee Stanonik motioned to pay the January 2012 bills listed in the 1/1/12 to 1/9/12 paid payable listing totaling \$45,720.81. Trustee Campanella second the motion with a roll call vote indicating Trustee Stanonik AYE, Trustee Campanella AYE and Trustee Reno AYE and no NAY vote. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:**

- Illinois Fire Protection District Association information received.

**Building Construction:**

- No report

**Fire Chief Report:**

- Chief discussed need for a marketing firm to assist with referendum. President Stanonik suggested using Bernardi Securities personnel which are experienced in this.

Road work in the FPD discussed and how it will impact responses in 2012.

Chief is updating the strategic plan.

**Attorney Report:**

- Fire Station Septic System. The Village of Wadsworth reviewed the fire district land acquisition for fire station septic property. The Village requested a survey to identify and square off the property being transferred for the septic. Trustee Campanella will meet with the

**Accepting the January 11, 2012 meeting minutes  
of the Newport Township Fire Protection District**

President Stanonik: ABSENT

Trustee Campanella: Pet Campanella

Trustee Reno: Douglas J Reno