

**Newport Township Fire Protection District**

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Wadsworth, Illinois 60083

Fire Protection District

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**Mark Kirschhoffer – Fire Chief**

**Joe Stanonik**

**Joe Kust**

**Steve Garris**

**Trustees**

**Meeting Minutes of the Board of Trustees**

**Newport Township Fire Protection District**

**Meeting Date February 13, 2019**

**Meeting Called to Order:**

- The meeting of the Newport Township Fire Protection District was called to order by Board President Stanonik at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held at the Newport Township Fire Station 1 and was publicly posted.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

- President Stanonik led those in attendance in the Pledge of the Allegiance.

**Roll Call:**

- President Stanonik conducted a roll call. Joseph Stanonik, Joe Kust and Steven Garris present which constitutes a quorum. No trustees absent or attending the meeting by video or audio conference. Also attending the meeting were Attorney Ryan Morton, Chief Mark Kirschhoffer and Deputy Chief Paul Maplethorpe, Village of Wadsworth Mayor Ryback, Trustee James Zegar, Village of Old Mill Creek Mayor Tim Smith and Trustee Laurens Leffingwell, Village of Beach Park Mayor John Hucker, Newport Township Supervisor Randall Whitmore and Trustee Corey Kirschhoffer and two members of the public

**Public Comment:**

- No public comments provided

**Correspondence:**

- None

**Approval of Minutes:**

- January 9, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes:
  - Motion by Trustee Kust to approve January 9, 2018 Board meeting minutes as presented. Second by President

Stanonik followed by a call for discussion on the motion.  
There was no further discussion.

- **Roll call vote: AYE:** Trustees Stanonik, Kust and Garris  
**NYE:** None  
**Abstain:** No
- January 14, 2018 Special Board Meeting Minutes:
  - Motion by Trustee Kust to approve January 14, 2018 Board meeting minutes as presented. Second by President Stanonik followed by a call for discussion on the motion. With no further discussion President Stanonik requested a roll call vote.
  - **Roll call vote: AYE:** Trustees Stanonik, Kust and Garris  
**NYE:** None  
**Abstain:** No

#### **Treasurer Report Approval:**

- Treasurer Kust presented the February 2019 Treasurer Report. Zion/Newport joint account funds on deposit of \$88,375.39 and current funds on deposit \$416,043.09.
  - Motion by President Stanonik to approve the February 2019 Treasurer Report as presented. Second by Trustee Kust. With no further discussion. President Stanonik requested a roll call vote.
  - **Roll call vote. AYE:** Trustees Stanonik, Kust and Garris  
**NYE:** None  
**Abstain:** None

#### **Approval of Accounts Payable:**

- Trustee Kust presented accounts payable invoices for January 2019 for payment totaling \$62,429.49.
  - Motion by Trustee Kust to approve as presented. Second by Trustee Stanonik and noting he abstains from payroll involving Joseph and Brandon Stanonik. With no further discussion President Stanonik called a roll call vote.
  - **Roll Call Vote: AYE:** Trustee Stanonik, Kust and Garris  
**NYE:** None  
**Abstain:** None

#### **Fire Chiefs Report:**

- The Fire Protection District new face book site is functional reporting on department news.

**Attorney Report:**

- No report.

**Old Business:**

- Tax Bill Station 2: No report.

**New Business:**

- Discussion for approval of Ordinance 2019-0-03 authorizing emergency vehicle operation of fire chief's vehicle.
  - Motion President Stanonik to approve as presented, Second Trustee Kust followed by short board discussion.
  - **Roll Call Vote: AYE:** Trustee Stanonik, Kust and Garris  
**NYE:** None  
**Abstain:** None
- Discussion for approval of Ordinance 2019-0-04 authorizing emergency vehicle operation of fire chief's vehicle.
  - Motion President Stanonik to approve as presented, Second Trustee Kust.
  - **Roll Call Vote: AYE:** Trustee Stanonik, Kust and Garris  
**NYE:** None  
**Abstain:** None
- Discussion regarding estimated revenues and expenses for FY19-20.
  - Motion President Stanonik to approve as presented, Second Trustee Kust followed by short board discussion.
  - **Roll Call Vote: AYE:** Trustee Stanonik, Kust and Garris  
**NYE:** None  
**Abstain:** None
- Discussion and/or approval of measures to reduce expense for FY19-20 including but not limited to reduction of forces, reduction of services and closing of fire stations.
  - Deputy Chief presented an outlook of Newport's financial position which led into a lengthy discussion involving the Board of Trustees and invited municipal leaders.
  - Motion Trustee Kust to eliminate 3 paid on premises positions if the bond issue fails, Second Trustee Garris followed by additional board discussion.
  - **Roll Call Vote: AYE:** Trustee Kust and Garris  
**NYE:** Trustee Stanonik  
**Abstain:** None
  - Motion Trustee Stanonik to lay off 3 full time positions May 1, 2019 if the bond issue fails, Second Trustee Kust followed by additional board discussion.
  - **Roll Call Vote: AYE:** Trustee Stanonik and Kust  
**NYE:** Trustee Garris  
**Abstain:** None

**Closed Session:**

- None

**Adjournment:**

- Motion Trustee Stanonik to adjourn at 8:55 pm. Second by Trustee Kust. Meeting adjourned

**Next regular Board of Trustees meeting:**

- Board of Trustee meeting Wednesday March 13, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

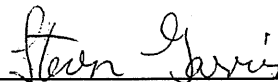
Mark Kirschhoffer

Fire Chief

Accepting the February 13, 2019 Newport Township Fire Protection District Board of Trustees District Meeting Minutes.

Dated March 13, 2019

Fire District Board Secretary, Steven Garris:

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