**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**

**The Board of Trustees**

**Of the Beecher Fire Protection District**

On the 28th of July 2016, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Beecher Fire Protection District was held at 7:00PM pursuant to the notice at the Beecher Fire Station in Beecher, Illinois.

**July 28, 2016**

**Order of Business**

**Call to Order:** 7:00 pm

**Roll Call: Members Present:** Trustees B. Becker, M. Cook, D. Kennedy and C. Murdoch. Absent Trustee J. Hansel

 **Also Present:** Chief D. Lagesse, Deputy Chief B. Claus and Attorney J. Motylinski.

 **Recognition:** The following members of the Beecher Fire Protection District were awarded lifesaving recognition awards to J. Gibson, M. Stokoski, M. Kelley, A. Joaquin, R. Kopec and J. Price.

 **A Motion** was made by Trustee M. Cook, seconded by Trustee D. Kennedy for Trustee C. Murdoch as acting secretary for July 28, 2016 meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes and one absent.

 **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker seconded by Trustee D. Kennedy, to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2016 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes and one absent.

 **Treasurers Report:** Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual report, Bank Reconciliation for checking accounts and Investment Reports for the month of June were distributed to trustees.

A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee C. Murdoch to approve treasurer report. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes and one absent.

**Approval of Bills:** The bills for the month of July were reviewed and a motion was made to pay bills by Trustee D. Kennedy, seconded by Trustee B. Becker. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, four ayes and one absent.

**NON-Discussion Agenda**

 **Chief’s Report:** There was 51 calls for the month of June. Received a thank you from the 4th of July Commission. Two refrigerators were purchased with the Foreign Fire Tax Fund. There was a meeting with the Village of Beecher regarding parking lot improvements. In the process of looking for more POCs.

 **Deputy Chief’s Report:** BFPD staff and Trustees will be able to order uniforms online. Repairs are being made to the Memorial Fountain. Preparing for annual apparatus maintenance.

**General Public:** Craig Wojciechoski thanked the board for considering him for trustee position

**Discussion Agenda:**

1. **Committee Reports:**
2. **Personnel –** N/A
3. **Public Relations –** Sponsoring the July 20th car show was well received. Hot Dogs and Bottled Water were distributed.
4. **Communications –** No new progress at this time with the new communication center.
5. **Village Liaison –** Beatty’s Lumber has been purchased by RP Lumber. The Village of Beecher is going to invest in improving the downtown area (Gould Street) to attract new businesses. Two of the three businesses that were supposed to be in the former Riley’s have backed out. Sophia’s is now open.
6. **Legal Update –** Attorney J. Motylinski updated on legal issues.
7. **Training –** N/A
8. **Unfinished Business**
9. **Replacement of Station Sign –** A Request for Bid will be placed in The Daily Journal
10. **New Business**
11. **Josh English Horton Insurance –** Josh presented the board with an updated Insurance Policy. A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee C. Murdoch to approve insurance policy for August 2016 – August 2017. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes and one absent.
12. **Budget –**A motion was made by Trustee D. Kennedy, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to open the meeting to the public for questions and or comments on the budget. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes and one absent. There was no comments or questions. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kennedy, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to close the meeting to the public t for questions and or comments on the budget. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes and one absent. A motion was made to approve Ordinance 0728-16 by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee D. Kennedy, “An Ordinance Fixing the Budget and Making Appropriations for the Beecher Fire Protection District for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2017”. Motion passed by a roll call vote, four ayes and one absent.
13. **IAFPD Conference Review –** Tabled till further notice.

**Announcement of Scheduled Meeting/Seminars – N/A**

**Trustees’ Comments –** Trustee D. Kennedy suggested the Lifesaving Reward Certificates should be handed out for future lifesaving calls. Trustee D. Kennedy inquired about the new mirrors for 409.

**Next Meeting Date/Time:** Thursday, August 25, 2016 @ 7:00PM

**Adjournment –** A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55PM was made by Trustee D. Kennedy, seconded by Trustee B.Becker, motion carried.

**Cory Murdoch**

**Acting Secretary, Board of Trustees**

**Recorded by**

**Angie Koehne**

**Administrative Assistant**