Deerfield-Bannockburn Fire Protection District Board of Trustees Minutes of the Regular Meeting February 13, 2025

The regular meeting of the Deerfield-Bannockburn Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on February 13, 2025, at Fire Station #20, located at 500 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, Illinois.

Call to Order

Trustee Bettiker called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Trustee Jeff Hansen, Treasurer; Trustee Sheila Elston, Secretary; Fire Chief Ian Kazian, Deputy Fire Chief Ray Larson, Administrative Services Manager Coleen Wattleworth, Attorney Megan Lamb.

Others Present

Trustee Phil Bettiker, President via video conference.

Members of the department: Bob Dooley, Tom Duax, Wayne Fellows, Alec Hartsell, Mike Long, Joe Miller, Joe Porter, Jon Vaccarello, Joe Zachar.

A motion was made by Trustee Elston, seconded by Trustee Bettiker, to appoint Trustee Hansen as President pro tem in the physical absence of Trustee Bettiker. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2025, regular meeting was made by Trustee Elston, seconded by Trustee Bettiker. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve and release the minutes of the January 9, 2025, closed meeting was made by Trustee Elston, seconded by Trustee Hansen. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

A motion to approve the treasurer's report for the month ending January 31, 2025, was made by Trustee Elston, seconded by Trustee Hansen. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

Accounts Payable Report

A motion to approve the bills & disbursements paid for the month ending January 31, 2025, in the amount of \$336,852.17 was made by Trustee Elston, seconded by Trustee Bettiker. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Lamb provided an update on pending litigation against the District and they are continuing to watch Federal Funding changes that could affect the District.

Chief's Report

Chief Kazian provided a monthly update on the operations of the District.

Old Business - None

New Business

A motion to approve resolution 2025-R-01 regarding the confidentiality of certain closed minutes was made by Trustee Elston, seconded by Trustee Bettiker. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

The Board instructs District administration to revise the District investment policy and move forward with the asset management engagement letter for consideration at the next scheduled board of trustees meeting.

Public Comment – None

Closed Session

A motion to go into closed session at 7:34 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body was made by Trustee Hansen, seconded by Trustee Elston. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:04 p.m.

Action Taken After Closed Session

A motion to appoint Chris Johnson II as the Division Chief of Fire Prevention in Fiscal Year 2026 was made by Trustee Hansen, seconded by Trustee Bettiker. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. was made by Trustee Hansen, seconded by Trustee Elston. Roll call vote: the motion passed unanimously.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on March 13, 2025.

President Pro tem, Board of Trustees

Deerfield-Bannockburn Fire Protection District

ATTEST:

Sheila Elston

Secretary, Board of Trustees

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