

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Northwest Homer FPD
Minutes of March 15, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER – by Trustee Malacina at 8:00a.m.

PLEDGE – lead by Trustee Malacina.

ROLL CALL – In attendance – Chief Vrba, Deputy Chief Fonfara, Attorney Flaherty, Trustees Malacina, Kuzma, and Flemming, Secretary Olisar, Lt. Kucaba. From the public – Dan Troike.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

APPROVAL - MINUTES – for February 15, 2021 – Motion to approve by Trustee Malacina as submitted, Trustee Flemming 2nd, discussions; roll call: 3 Ayes by Trustees Flemming, Kuzma & Malacina – MC. Trustee Flemming added the department website looks up to date with all the required and necessary information.

APPROVAL - FINANCIAL REPORTS – for February 2021 – Motion by Trustee Flemming to approve financials from accountant James Howard as well as the Quick Book financials prepared in-house as presented, Trustee Kuzma 2nd, discussions; roll call: 3 Ayes by Trustees Malacina, Flemming & Kuzma – MC. Q&A continued regarding Andres reports and our current banks % rates.

CHIEFS REPORTS – Chief Vrba briefed the trustees on the following:

Personnel/Other –

- Brought on 1 new part-time employee and continue to monitor as needed.
- Deputy Chief Fonfara gave the board an update on the Fire Recovery program.

Buildings/Equipment –

- Lt. Kucaba gave an update on the new tanker and a new projected delivery date of June.

Construction –

- Plans were received for Culvers on 143rd East of Bank of America.
- Dispersed sheets and explained in detail potential future impact future fees for the District.
- Current impacts fees outstanding - 9 of the buildings in the townhomes by Home Depot.
- Commercial vacant property is still available in the district.
- Pet Supplies Plus submitted plans: waiting for sprinkler and fire alarm plans.

Community- Chief briefed the board on calls for the month.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT –

- A lawsuit is pending between fire and pension funds challenging the constitutionality of the contents.
- Spoke with the comptroller at Victorian Village regarding the Resthaven annual payment: expected in the next few weeks.
- Legislation hearings starting with various bills to be addressed.

TRUSTEES REPORT – To be discussed under new business.

OLD BUSINESS – No report

NEW BUSINESS

- **Approval to purchase 12 Unication Pagers & Accessories - \$9,435.00** – Motioned by Trustee Malacina, Trustee Flemming – 2nd, discussions; roll call: 3 Ayes by Trustees Malacina, Flemming, & Kuzma – MC.
- **Discussion & possible action – Ambulance fee rates** – Sheets were dispersed. Trustee Flemming stated the rates should be increased and explained his reasons from the sheets provided. He further would like to make a motion but first asked for the other trustee's comments. Trustee Malacina reviewed the sheets but would like to research the information presented further. Trustee Kuzma also added his views. After further Q&A, Trustee Malacina asked to table the discussion for the April meeting. Attorney Flaherty addressed the board with options for the ordinance: an amount to increase yearly with GEMT numbers; and the other would be an annual multiplier. All agreed to look at the options and discuss further next month with a draft ordinance. Trustee Flemming followed with a motion to increase a flat rate fee for nonresidents billing to \$1800 and residents billing to \$1500 with the mileage to be \$18.00 per mile across the board, second – no second. Trustee Kuzma has more questions he would like to research and retrieve the findings. The topic will go back on the April 19, 2021 Trustee board meeting agenda.
- **Reappoint James Kuzma as treasure (2-yr term) to the pension board** – motioned by Trustee Malacina, Trustee Flemming – 2nd, discussion; roll call: 3 Ayes by Trustee Malacina, Trustee Kuzma, Trustee Flemming – MC.

CLOSED SESSION – None

Next Trustee Meeting – April 19, 2021 -- 8:00am – station 1

ADJOURNMENT - Motioned by Trustee Malacina at 8:48 a.m., Trustee Kuzma 2nd – MC.

Respectfully submitted **Jack Flemming** – Trustee/Secretary

