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MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 2019 CTFPD TRUSTEES' MEETING

January 14, 2019

**Crete Township Fire Protection District – Station #41
26730 S. Stoney Island
Crete, IL 60417**

7:00 PM – Meeting was called to order by Trustee Miller.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present - Trustee Miller, Trustee Rosandich, Trustee Zimmerman, Chief Panega, Assistant Chief Radtke, Lieutenant Moeller
Absent - Captain Swanson, Captain Grove, Lieutenant Rosenthal

Secretary's Report: Motion was made by Trustee Miller to accept the minutes of the December 10, 2018 meeting. Second Trustee Rosandich. Motion carried.
(3-yes, 0-no)

Motion was made by Trustee Miller to accept the minutes of the January 4, 2019 meeting. Second Trustee Rosandich. Motion carried.
(3-yes, 0-no)

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report was read by Trustee Rosandich. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report by Trustee Miller. Second Trustee Zimmerman. Motion carried. (3-yes, 0-no)

Fire Call Report: Written report presented - 128 calls were reported for the month of December; 1,493 total calls for the year ending 2018.

EMS Report: Written report submitted. Firefighter/EMT-B Campione will graduate from the paramedic program January 22nd. A committee is being formed to spec a new ambulance.

Training Officer: Written report submitted. All members met the training requirements for the month of December.

Grant Summary: Written report presented. Construction of the LED sign is on hold; awaiting decision by Will County for special permit. No word has been received on the outstanding grant award notifications.

Fire Prevention: Written report presented. Knox box has been installed at 40 Partridge Lane.

Assistant Chief: Written report submitted. Currently awaiting applicants from Kurtz to fill the open contract position. One part-time and one paid-on-call applicant have passed the background check and will complete the PAT Test January 16th. Andres Medical and Fire Recovery billing are current.

Chief's Report: Written report was presented. A meeting was held with the new director of Laraway Communications Center regarding the lack of training challenging the center. A meeting was also held with Heidi, Kurtz Paramedic Service, to address issues with the transition of employees from Kurtz to AMR's system. CTFPD has been invited to participate in a large scale school shooting/mass casualty drill in Beecher on April 19th.

Approval of Bills: Motion to accept bills as submitted by Trustee Miller. Second Trustee Rosandich. Motion carried. (3-yes, 0-no)

Communications: **The Bressler Family – Thank You** – The Bressler family thanked crews for care provided during transport to the hospital.

Grant Park Fire District – Thank You - A thank you was received from Grant Park Fire District for responding to a multi-alarm fire on December 4th.

Old Business: None.

New Business: **Public Hearings on:**
Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-1: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3.3 (PIN 23-15-03-200-002)
Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-2: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3.3 (PIN 23-15-03-200-010)
Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-3: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3.3 (PIN 23-15-03-200-008)
Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-4: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3.3 (PIN 23-15-03-200-009)
Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-5: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3.3 (PIN 23-15-08-300-032-0010)
Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-6: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3.3 (PIN 23-15-08-300-018)
Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-7: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3.3 (PIN 23-15-08-300-017)

Motion to open the public hearing at 7:09 PM by Trustee Miller. Second Trustee Zimmerman. Motion carried. (3-yes, 0-no)

Gary and Barbara Grandpre, of 556 E. Steger Road, stated they have had an informal arrangement for emergency services with the Steger Fire Department since moving into their home years ago. CTFPD's station is farther away from their property than Steger's, which they feel is a disadvantage and wish to opt out of the annexation if possible. They no longer have a land line at their home. Out of curiosity, Mr. Grandpre called 911 and it went to the Chicago Heights dispatch center who stated they could not assist him and instructed him to contact the department he needed direct.

Chief Panega explained the creation of the 911 system and recent changes in law no longer would allow for the previous informal arrangement. Assistant Chief Radtke stated the annexation is strictly for the District to collect taxes for emergency services provided. He explained how the mutual aid response from neighboring communities worked and would not create a disadvantage in the case of a fire. If an ambulance were needed, he explained how the call would be transferred to Laraway Communications Center and due to the address CTFPD would be dispatched to their home. Laraway would not know about the informal arrangement with Steger. Chief Panega recommended they add the non-emergency number to their cell phones to reach Laraway direct for a faster response.

Aaron Sobek, of 585 Aberdeen Drive, stated he owns two lots. The lot his home is on is in the Village of Crete and the attached wooded lot is in township. He's concerned about the increase in taxes. Assistant Chief Radtke stated in the case of a fire both the Village of Crete and CTFPD would be responding to the address. Since the wooded lot is vacant, the increase in taxes would be minimal.

The Grandpre's and Mr. Sobek stated they had no issues with the annexation into the Fire District.

Motion to close the public hearing at 7:24 PM by Trustee Miller. Second Trustee Rosandich. Motion carried. (3-yes, 0-no)

Discussion and Possible Action on:

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Motion to approve Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-1, Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-2, Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-3, Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-4, Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-5, Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-6, and Ordinance No. 1-14-2019-7 Annexing Certain Territories Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3.3 by Trustee Miller. Second Trustee Rosandich.

Roll call vote: Trustee Miller – yes
 Trustee Rosandich – yes
 Trustee Zimmerman – yes

Motion carried. (3-yes, 0-no)

Sealing of Closed Session Minutes - Discussion was had whether to open any closed session minutes to the public. Trustee Zimmerman made a motion to keep the closed session minutes sealed another six months. Second Trustee Miller. Motion carried. (3-yes, 0-no)

Closed Session: None.

Citizens Speak: No one from the public had comment.

Motion to Adjourn the January 14, 2019 meeting at 7:26 PM by Trustee Miller. Second Trustee Zimmerman. Motion carried.