

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
ADDISON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1  
10 S. Addison Rd, Addison, IL 60101  
November 4, 2020  
9:00AM**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Trustee Super called to order the Addison Fire Protection District Board of Trustee's meeting at 9:00am.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The pledge of allegiance was presented for this meeting.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present were: Trustee Michael Super- President via teleconference, Trustee Charles Baxa-Secretary in room, Trustee Bernadette LaRocca-Treasurer via teleconference, Chief Scott Walker (recording secretary) in room, Attorney James Wargo in room, Attorney Shawn Flaherty in room, Accountant James Howard via teleconference, Auditor Brian LeFevre via teleconference and Mr. Mark Jeretina from Speer Financial.

Board President Michael Super determined that an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent due to the issuance by the Governor of a disaster declaration related to public health concerns in all or a part of the jurisdiction of the District. Access to the meeting was provided to members of the public to contemporaneously hear all discussion, testimony, and roll call votes via the Go To Meeting video conference code 686546437 or by calling 630-628-3100 or sending questions to [admin@addisonfire.org](mailto:admin@addisonfire.org) as posted on the meeting agenda. The public was also allowed to attend the meeting in person in a socially distant fashion.

Trustee Charles Baxa and Fire Chief Scott Walker were physically present for the meeting at the District's regular meeting location in the meeting at the District's fire station located at 10 S. Addison Road, Addison, Illinois, and ensured that any members of the public present at the meeting could hear all discussions and testimony and all votes of the of the members of the Board of Trustees of the Addison Fire Protection District No. 1 and the availability of electronic meeting access by video or audio conference to any members of the public not able to attend the meeting in person at said location and requesting such access.

No member of the public attended this meeting either in person, via phone or via video conference. Furthermore, no meeting questions were received prior to or during the meeting,

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & RECOGNITIONS:**

New Business, Section A, Discussion on issuing bonds for the pension fund's unfunded liabilities and take any action on Board's direction, was moved up the agenda to allow Attorney Shawn Flaherty to discuss the matter as he needed to attend another meeting at 10:00 a.m.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Discussion on issuing bonds for the pension fund's unfunded liabilities and take any action on Board's direction:

Attorney Flaherty introduced and explained to the Board the ordinance to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds of the Addison Fire Protection District No. 1 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$40,000,000. A discussion then occurred regarding the relative benefits and risks associated with the District's issuance of the general obligation bonds. Mark Jeretin from Speer Financial also participated in the discussion.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. The minutes of the Board of Trustee's meeting held on October 7, 2020 were presented.

**“Motion made by Trustee Super to approve the Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2020, seconded by Trustee Baxa.”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super – yes  
Trustee Baxa – yes  
Trustee LaRocca – yes  
Motion carried*

**TREASURERS REPORT AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

A. Trustee LaRocca presented the treasurers report for September 2020.

**“Motion made by Trustee Super to approve the Treasures Report, Payroll and Accounts Payable for September 2020, in the amount of , seconded by Trustee Baxa”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super – yes  
Trustee Baxa – yes  
Trustee LaRocca – yes  
Motion carried*

B. Travel Expense Approval(s) (if any): None

C. Accountant Howard presented the Financial Analysis Summary for the 6 months via video conference

D. Other Items from the Treasure  
None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Correspondences were read by Trustee Baxa

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:**

The meeting was open to the public with proper distancing concerns. No comments or questions were received via email.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS:**

A. Attorney's Report  
Attorney Wargo presented his attorney report

B. Fire Chiefs Report  
Chief's report for October 2020 was in packet

C. Calendar of Events  
Calendar of Events was in packet

D. Other Announcements  
None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. None

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discussion on issuing bonds for the pension fund's unfunded liabilities and take any action on Board's direction. [Moved up on the agenda as noted above].

- B. Approval of Ordinance 2020-07 authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Alternative Revenue Source) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 to fund all or a portion of the unfunded firefighters' pension fund liability of the District.

President Super announced that the Board of Trustees next would consider the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of general obligation alternate bonds to fund all or a portion

of the District's unfunded firefighters' pension fund liability and directing the publication of a notice setting forth the determination of the Board of Trustees to issue such bonds. Whereupon Trustee Super presented and read by title an ordinance as follows, a copy of which was provided to each Trustee prior to said meeting and to everyone in attendance at said meeting who requested a copy:

**“Motion made by Trustee Super, seconded by Trustee Baxa for the approval of Ordinance 2020-07 authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Alternative Revenue Source) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 pursuant to the Local Government Debt Reform Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, to fund all or a portion of the unfunded firefighters' pension fund liability of the District.”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super – yes  
Trustee Baxa – yes  
Trustee LaRocca – yes  
Motion carried*

- C. Approval of FY 18-19 CAFR (Audit) & Review of Auditor's Communication. Auditor Lefevre reviewed the audit and Board communication with the entire Board via video conference.

**“Motion made by Trustee Super, seconded by Trustee Baxa for the approval of FY 18-19 CAFR (Audit) & Review of Auditor's Communication.”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super – yes  
Trustee Baxa – yes  
Trustee LaRocca – yes  
Motion carried*

- D. Ordinance 2020-06 Truth in Taxation Finding. Proposed taxes levied for 2020 are \$17,575,000.00 as compared to the 2019 levy of \$12,805,983.92 which represents a 37.24% increase year over year.

**“Motion made by Trustee Baxa, seconded by Trustee Super for the approval of Ordinance 2020-06 Truth in Taxation Finding”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super – yes  
Trustee Baxa – yes  
Trustee LaRocca – yes  
Motion carried*

- E. Renewal of annual liability insurances with Corkill Insurance

**“Motion made by Trustee Baxa, seconded by Trustee LaRocca for the approval of the renewal of annual liability insurances with Corkill Insurance.”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super – yes  
Trustee Baxa – yes  
Trustee LaRocca – yes  
Motion carried*

- F. Renewal of worker compensation insurance with IPRF

No action taken. Renewal is not up until July 2021.

- G. Update, discussion, and approval of medical insurance renewal for 2021 with BCBS.

**“Motion made by Trustee Baxa, seconded by Trustee Super for the approval of medical insurance renewal for 2021 with BCBS.”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super – yes  
Trustee Baxa – yes  
Trustee LaRocca – yes  
Motion carried*

- H. Approval of health insurance MOU between the Fire District & Union detailing the 2021 medical insurance plan

**“Motion made by Trustee Super, seconded by Trustee LaRocca for the approval of health insurance MOU between the Fire District & Union detailing the 2021 medical insurance plan.”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super –  
Trustee Baxa –  
Trustee LaRocca –  
Motion carried*

- I. Draft Review of 2020 Levy & Block Box Legal Notice

Board reviewed.

- J. Direction for Fire Commission to promote one Battalion Chief and one Lieutenant

**“Motion made by Trustee Baxa, seconded by Trustee Super.”**

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Super –  
Trustee Baxa –  
Trustee LaRocca –  
Motion carried*

- K. Other New Business  
None

**EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF DISCUSSING:**

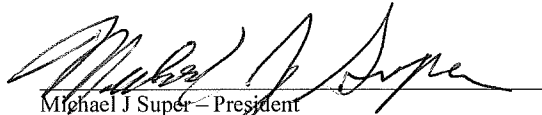
- A. Personnel matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1)
- B. Collective negotiating matters (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 2)
- C. Purchase or lease of real property (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 5)
- D. Security procedures (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 8)
- E. Pending, Probable, or Imminent Litigation (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 11)

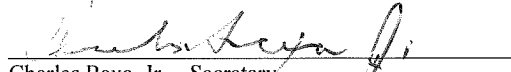
**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- A. Actions from closed session, if needed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am – The next scheduled meeting is at 9:00 AM on December 2, 2020 at 10 S. Addison Road, Addison, IL.

  
Michael J Super – President

  
Charles Baxa, Jr. – Secretary

  
Bernadette LaRocca – Treasurer

Respectfully Submitted,  
Scott Walker, Recording Secretary