

MCKOWNVILLE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting.

January 5, 1967

McKownville Fire Hall

President Prytherch called the meeting to order with the following present:

Directors - George B. Hurley
J. F. Feldman
J. F. Greisler
Michael J. Hannon
W. F. Peer
A. Zanotta

President - High Prytherch
Treasurer - Thomas F. Keenan
Secretary - Bernice E. Hamme

Absent: G. W. Hamme
Wm. A. Sharkey
James W. Shaughnessy
P. B. Schultz

As this meeting was called to discuss the progress and latest development of the new McKownville Fire House, the meeting was turned over to Mr. Frank Casatelli, the new Chairman of the Fire Department.

Mr. Casatelli welcomed the group and said the Fire Department was desirous of their support. He explained the new proceedings and the 2 referendums for acquiring the land at 1243-1250 Western Avenue and the erection of a new fire house. Also the purchasing of a new fire truck. The vote on the new referendum will take place January 26th. The public will receive a letter.

The court has now approved \$102,000 for the land. The fire district is now asking a maximum amount of \$285,000 to cover the building, land and a new fire truck. It takes 14 months for delivery of a truck, in which time the present indebtedness on a truck will be paid off so there will be practically no difference in the new truck indebtedness. The costs of building continue to rise so the fire district wants to begin as soon as possible. There will be 2 separate votes on the same evening, one for the land and building and the other for the truck. The district has been paying interest on the \$102,000 since October. The longer the proceedings are delayed, the more money it will cost.

In the discussion, it was brought out that the old firehouse is inadequate for a new truck and unsafe as it is with the old trucks.

There was discussion of the inadequacy of the equipment on the old truck and the need the community required. Also that the trade-in value of a firetruck is nill.

There was also discussion on the rate of interest and the effect on the taxes. The interest rate would be somewhere between 3 1/2% and 5%. Probably would effect the tax rate near \$4.35 per thousand.

New bids will have to be submitted for the building. The contractors were released from the old bids. The bids will include demolition.

The fire commissioners recommend the new referendums.

The motion was made by Mr. Feldman that the Board of the McKownville Improvement Association support the referendums as set forth by the Fire Commissioners so that the public can vote on one or both referendums including land and building and a new fire truck. This motion was seconded by Mr. Sharkey. No one opposed.

A memorian to Mr. J. F. Purdy was read and approved by all; that a copy of same would be sent to Mrs. Purdy and her son John F. Purdy.

Mr. Hurley made a motion that the Association adjourn in memory of J. Francis Purdy. All were in favor.

Respectively Submitted,

Bernice E. Hamme

Secretary.