



Board of Trustees

Keith Steele, President
Jeffrey Hoffman, Vice President
Jodi Noe, Secretary
Barry Campen, Treasurer
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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES**

Called to order on Thursday, May 14, 2026 AT 6:02 pm by Trustee Steele

Central Fire Station - 7800 W. Plank Rd. - Training Room - Peoria, Illinois 61604

**CALL TO ORDER
MOMENT OF SILENCE
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I. ROLL CALL BY BOARD SECRETARY

Trustee Campen - Not Present, Trustee Steele - Present, Trustee Graves - Present, Trustee Noe - Present, Trustee Hoffman - Not Present. 3 of 5 Trustees Present. Also in attendance was Chief Hoerr, Deputy Chief Kaps, John Worley and Darlene Gramm-Bray.

II. FIRE FIREFIGHTER APPLICANTS (MAY BE DONE IN CLOSED SESSION)

III. REPORT OF DISTRICT ACCOUNTANT

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A. April 9, 2026 Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve April 2026 Treasurer's report by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Graves. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

V. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NON-REOCCURRING BILLS

Item	\$ Total	From	PO #	Account
Repairs for 325, 326 & 329	\$3,858.07	Redline Fire	26-043	614
Repairs for Radio Rm Left PC	\$144.00	Sora Tech	26-044	604
Repair two parking lots lights--Central & Station 4	\$710.00	S&S Lighting	26-045	616
325 & 324 Alignment & Two New Steer Tires	\$1,915.76	Gem City Tire	26-046	614
Wiper Blade & Def Fluid	\$35.66	O'Reilly	26-047	614
324 O.L.F. & P.M.	\$2,961.94	Red Line Fire	26-048	614

Item	\$ Total	From	PO #	Account
Fire Fighting Equip & Tools for New Engine	\$22,565.45	Dinges Fire	26-049	645
Repair Fire Alarm @ Station 5	\$285.00	Christenberry	26-050	616
9 Pair Fire Structural Boots	\$5,245.00	Air One Equip.	26-051	645
326 Rear Brakes, Brake Drums, Slack Adjusters, Wheel Seals	\$7,563.50	Centre State	26-052	614
Non-Rebreather, Lancets BVM Bag ETC	\$919.98	Bound Tree	26-053	606
Reimbursement for Instructor One EMS Training	\$471.00	Christina Brown	26-054	619
Repair Pull Cord on Rescue Saw 344	\$41.50	Midwest Equip.	26-055	615
Two & Four-cycle Fuel & Sawzall Blades	\$259.26	Bartonville Hardware	26-056	601/605
3-New Portable Radios & 1 – Nerw Mobile Radio & Repair 1 older portable	\$19,755.00	Ragan Comm.	26-057	617/644
Pressure valve for pump on 353 VISA CC	\$505.52	Dultmeier Sales	26-058	615
Shark Vacuum for Central VISA CC	\$189.00	Sams Club	26-059	604
Saw Zall Blades VISA CC	\$99.94	Home Depot	26-060	605
Replace Springs on #2 North Bay Door Central	\$1,256.00	Door Doctor	26-061	616
Reimbursement for Fire Officer 2 Class	\$1,575.00	Mike Kaps	26-062	618
1 – 5-year Service Pin	\$40.00	LCD Uniforms	26-063	610
6 Medical Oxygen	\$133.34	Airgas	26-064	607
324 Tow to Central Broken Airline (Fire on Hilltop)	\$475.00	Mr. Tow It	26-065	614
Repairs to 326 & 329	\$1,246.48	Redline Fire	26-066	614
E.M.S. Supplies	\$1,126.66	Bound Tree	26-067	606
TOTAL:	\$73,377.86			

Motion to approve the \$73,377.86 in non-recurring expenses by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Noe. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

VI. REPORT OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY (MAY BE DONE IN CLOSED SESSION)

VII. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. Regular meeting minutes of April 9, 2026

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes of April 9, 2026 by Trustee Noe. Seconded by Trustee Steele. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

VIII. CITIZEN REMARKS AND CORRESPONDENCE

IX. CHIEF'S REPORT

In the month of April, the Fire District responded to 151 emergency calls. 86 BLS, 14 Fire, 51 other.

Chief's report provided attached to minutes.

X. BUDGET REQUEST

XI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Engine 321

Chief Hoerr and the Board discuss Engine 321. The board said to sale 321 for \$8,000. Chief Hoerr discuss with the board about the Garage Auction that has no fee to put on auction site.

Motion to approve sale 321 at Garage Auction by Trustee Noe. Seconded by Trustee Steele. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

B. Engine 322

The board discuss Engine 322 and come up with a price they like to get out of it for \$9,000.

Chief Hoerr discuss with the board about the Garage Auction that has no fee to put on auction site.

Motion to approve sale 322 at Garage Auction by Trustee Noe. Seconded by Trustee Steele. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

C. Discussion of 2026-2027 Preliminary Budget Draft

The board was given detailed documentation on the budget priorities. Went over the documentation line by line and the board was able to discuss and ask questions, adjust the budget as it was being presented. The board discuss about the funds that would go into the vehicle savings account. It was discuss putting 10% into the vehicle savings account for about \$74,959.54. The board went over the amount for contingency and discuss putting it at \$75,000.

Motion to approve 2026-2027 Preliminary Budget Draft by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Graves. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

XII. Closed Session

A. Personnel

Motion to go into executive session for Personnel by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Graves. No further discussion. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Trustee Steele called for a recess for executive session at 6:35 pm.

Meeting called back to order by Trustee Steele at 7:22pm.

Roll Call: Trustee Steele – Present; Trustee Graves – Present; Trustee Noe – Present; Trustee Campen – Not Present; Trustee Hoffman – Not Present. 3 of 5 Trustee Present.

The board discuss pay increases for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

Motion to approve Employee A pay increase per discussion for 2026-2027 by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Noe. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion to approve Employee B pay increase per discussion for 2026-2027 by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Noe. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion to approve Employee C pay increase per discussion for 2026-2027 by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Noe. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. OTHER BUSINESS THAT LAWFULLY COMES BEFORE THE BOARD

The board discuss the Annual Conference for June 11-13, 2026 at the Embassy Suites Riverfront Conference Center in East Peoria, IL. If anyone was attending will need to register now for the early bird discount before it ends on May 30th. Before May 30th the price be \$250 for the full conference after May 30th it will be \$325.

Motion for the Trustee to attend ETT training for the June 11-13, 2026 conference by Trustee Noe. Seconded by Trustee Steele. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Deputy Chief Kaps discuss with the board on a referendum resolution. The Board said for Deputy Chief Kaps to gather information and present at the next board meeting. No further discussion. No action taken.

Trustee Noe discuss to the board about health insurance and said she would present information at the next board meeting. No further discussion. No action taken.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENT/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

XIII. SETTING OF PLACE AND TIME FOR NEXT MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be at **6:00pm** on **Thursday June 11, 2026** at the Central Fire Station at 7800 W. Plank Rd.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Without objections the meeting was adjourned by Trustee Steele at 7:35 p.m.

<p>APPROVED</p> <p>Date & Time _____ @ _____</p> <p>By: _____</p>
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