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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES

Called to order on Thursday, July 9, 2026 AT 6:00 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 - Present, Trustee Steele - Present, Trustee Graves – Not Present, Trustee Noe - Present, Trustee Hoffman - Present. 4 of 5 Trustees Present. Also in attendance was Chief Hoerr, Deputy Chief Kaps, Larry Gilmore, Donnell Steele, Tom Murfin, Connor Donahue and Darlene Gramm-Bray.

II. GUEST SPEAKER – INFORMATIONAL

A. BILL BEQUEAITH – HEALTH INSURANCE PRESENTATION

Trustee Noe notified the board that Bill Bequeaith was not able to attend this meeting but will come to the meeting in August. Trustee Noe asked the board if they have any questions for Bill that she could forward to him. The Trustee's said they didn't have any questions at this time for him but they might have some when he presents his presentation. Table to next month. No further discussion. No action taken.

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

IV. REPORT OF DISTRICT ACCOUNTANT

The Board was notified that fiscal year end June 30, 2026 information was being sent over to the accountant for the start of our Audit. The board was given the June 30, 2026 Engagement Letter and board members review it. No further discussion.

V. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A. June 2026 Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve June 2026 Treasurer's report by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NON-REOCCURRING BILLS

Item	$ Total	From	PO #	Account
Review FOIA Request Form	$75.00	Heyl Royster	26-082	629
Dept. Web Page	$499.00	309 Web Design	26-083	604
EMS Supplies	$1,084.10	Bound Tree	26-084	606
Water & Gatorade VISA CC	$55.44	Sam's Club	26-085	602
50:1 Pre-mix fuel	$71.92	Bartonville Hardware	26-086	615
TOTAL:	**$1,785.46**			

Motion to approve the $1,785.46 in non-recurring expenses by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Noe. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

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

VIII. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. Regular meeting minutes of June 11, 2026

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes of June 11, 2026 by Trustee Noe. Seconded by Trustee Campen. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

B. Special Meeting minutes of June 29, 2026

Motion to approve special meeting minutes of June 29, 2026 by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Noe. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

IX. CITIZEN REMARKS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Larry Gilmore addresses the board on the Referendum Resolution and asked if it doesn't pass is the board looking at contingencies plan because limiting service is not an option for the community. He mentioned about the health insurance on the agenda about spending money on insurance.

X. CHIEF'S REPORT

In the month of June, the Fire District responded to 140 emergency calls. 75 BLS, 5 Fire, 6 MVA, 54 others.

Chief's report provided attached to minutes.

Chief Hoerr went over the Trucks repairs for each unit with the Board that Trustee Hoffman asked for a list of items that needed done for each truck.

Trustee Hoffman said need to get the Fleet fix and need to do maintenance on the fleet. He said the Air Conditioner need to be fix for the firemen and need to get the repairs done. All the board members agreed to have the Chief Hoerr start getting the Fleet up to date in repairs. Chief Hoerr asked do you want me to start repairing now and all the board members said yes.

XI: **BUDGET REQUEST**

XI. OLD BUSINESS

A. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE 2026-2027 BUDGET

Motion to approve $75,000.00 for Contingencies by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Noe. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-1 Trustee Campen no.

Trustee Steele – Present; Trustee Hoffman – Present; Trustee Campen – Present; Trustee Noe – Present; Trustee Graves – Absent. 4 of 5 Trustee Present.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Steele – Y; Trustee Hoffman – Y; Trustee Campen – N; Trustee Noe – Y; Trustee Graves – Absent. Motion carried 3-1 Trustee Campen No.

Motion to approve transfer of $74,959.54 from the operating savings account to the vehicle savings account by Trustee Campen. Seconded by Trustee Steele. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Steele – Present; Trustee Hoffmann – Present; Trustee Campen – Present; Trustee Noe – Present; Trustee Graves – Absent. 4 of 5 Trustee Present

Roll Call Vote; Trustee Steel – Y; Trustee Hofman – Y; Trustee Campen – Y; Trustee Noe – Y; Trustee Graves – Absent. Motion Carried 4-0.

Motion to approve tentative 2026-2027 budget by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-1 Trustee Campen no.

Trustee Steele – Present; Trustee Hoffman – Present; Trustee Campen – Present; Trustee Noe – Present; Trustee Graves – Absent. 4 of 5 Trustee Present.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Steele – Y; Trustee Hoffman – Y; Trustee Campen – N; Trustee Noe – Y; Trustee Trustee Graves – Absent. Motion Carried 3-1 Trustee Campen no.

B. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF INSURANCE RENEWALS

Motion to approve renewal of insurance policy from ESIP/McNeil & Company by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Campen. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

C. REFERENDUM RESOLUTION

1. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF REFERENDUM RESOLUTIONS; TAX RATE INCREASE PROPOSITIONS UNDER 70 ILCS 705/24.

Motion to approve the consideration and adoption of referendum resolutions; tax rate increase propositions under 70 ILCS 705/24 by Trustee Noe. Seconded by Trustee Steele. No further discussion. Motion carried: 3-1 Trustee Campen no.

Trustee Steele – Present; Trustee Hoffman – Present; Trustee Campen – Present; Trustee Noe – Present; Trustee Graves – Absent. 4 of 5 Trustee Present.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Steele – Y; Trustee Hoffman – Y; Trustee Campen – N; Trustee Noe – Y; Trustee Graves – Absent. 4 of 5 Trustee Present.

2. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF REFERENDUM RESOLUTIONS; TAX RATE INCREASE PROPOSITIONS UNDER 70 ILCS 705/14.

Motion to approve the consideration and adoption of referendum resolutions; tax rate increase propositions under 70 ILCS 705/14 by Trustee Steele. Seconded by Trustee Noe. No further discussion. Motion carried: 3-1 Trustee Campen no.

Trustee Steele – Present; Trustee Hoffman – Present; Trustee Campen – Present; Trustee Noe – Present; Trustee Graves – Absent. 4 of 5 Trustee Present.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Steele – Y; Trustee Hoffman – Y; Trustee Campen – N; Trustee Noe – Y; Trustee Graves – Absent. 4 of 5 Trustee Present.

The board discuss the dates for the question and answers meeting to be the following August 13, 2026 at 6:05 pm. And September 10th @ 6:05 pm.

D. **HEALTH INSURANCE**

Table to next month. No further discussion. No action taken.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Legal Notice Posting for Budget Hearing By August 5, 2026

Notified board that the Budget Hearing Posting to be posted in the paper on August 5, 2026. No action taken.

XIII. OTHER BUSINESS THAT LAWFULLY COMES BEFORE THE BOARD

XIV. CLOSED SESSION

XV. ANNOUNCEMENT/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

XVI. 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 August 13, 2026** at the Central Fire Station at 7800 W. Plank Rd.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Without objections the meeting was adjourned by Trustee Steele at 6:41 p.m.

APPROVED

Date & Time____________@___________

By:________________________________