MINOOKA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Minutes of the Minooka FPD Board of Trustee Meeting held on June 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Underhill at 8:35 a.m.

Roll call was taken and answered with the following trustees present: Baron, Collins, Robinson & Underhill. Absent: Roberts

Staff in attendance: Chief Yancey, Deputy Chief Sprague

There were no members of the public present

A motion by Trustee Collins to approve the May 8, 2025 open board meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Baron. All were in favor and the motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Robinson to approve the May 2025 Finance & Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Collins. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Baron-Yes, Collins-Yes, Robinson -Yes, Underhill-Yes, motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Underhill approving the bills and payroll for April in the amount of \$525,187.89 seconded by Trustee Baron. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Underhill-Yes, Baron-Yes, Collins-Yes, Robinson - Yes, motion carried.

An old business agenda item of solar project at station #2 was not taken up for discussion. There was a brief discussion regarding the possibility of a solar option at the new training center; chief to look into this with the solar vendor.

Trustee Roberts arrived at 8:47. At the request of President Roberts, Vice-President Underhill continued to preside over the meeting.

Chief Report:

- Chief reported on the cadet/recruit program. 17 cadets and 17 recruits have started the program. Deputy Chief Sprague outlined the "experience week" events that are occurring this week.
- Chief reported that we may face a situation where the Village of Minooka begins charging us for the use of water used in training. Currently, the Village is not doing so but has given some notice that it may be required in the future.
- Chief has been in continued conversation with Equinix regarding the donation of land for station #3, to replace the land that the Village of Minooka is taking back under deed covenants. Chief and Equinix have a monthly meeting schedule for regular updates on the development project.
- Chief reported that the CN Railroad is expected to begin some dirt work later this summer, early fall.

A motion by Trustee Collins to authorize an emergency purchase of one new ambulance 2025/6 Ford F550 4x4 Diesel/Horton Ambulance, through Foster Coach Sales, in the amount of \$372,440.00, and that the emergency purchase is declared necessary due to a recent crash of an ambulance where the crashed ambulance is deemed a total loss and therefore the lack of ambulances is reducing service capability for EMS services of the district, seconded by Trustee Robinson, discussion was held concerning the immediate need for a replacement due to EMS service call demand and the lack of a reserve ambulance to replace any front-line ambulance. Horton has stated they can build an ambulance at the near same time and specification as an ambulance ordered in 2022 and that has not yet gone to the assembly line. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Collins-Yes, Roberts-Yes, Baron-Yes, Underhill-Yes, Robinson - Yes motion carried.

A discussion was held concerning the purchase of a used ambulance for the purposes of replacing the current reserve ambulance. Further research will be occurring by staff to be brought back to the board of trustees at such time as necessary for a recommendation to purchase.

A motion by Trustee Roberts to go into closed session for the purpose of compensation of one or more classes of employees, property acquisition, performance of one or more classes of employees, and pending litigation, seconded

by Trustee Robinson. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Underhill – Yes, Baron – Yes, Collins – Yes, Roberts – Yes, Robinson – Yes the time is 9:32

The board of trustees returned to open session at 10:05.

Note for the minutes that Trustee Roberts adjourned the meeting during closed session and so noted in closed session minutes.

A motion by Trustee Collins to authorize amendment to the administrative policy, instituting a special duty stipend for the deputy chief and fire chief when a shift for battalion chief is vacant and otherwise unfilled, as presented to the board of trustees, seconded by Trustee Underhill. A roll call vote was taken an answered as follows: Baron – Yes, Robinson – Yes, Collins – Yes, Underhill – Yes, motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Collins to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 a.m. seconded by Trustee Robinson, all were in favor and meeting adjourned.

President

Secretary