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Minutes of the Minooka FPD Board of Trustees Meeting held on July 16, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Baron at 8:30 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Roll call was taken, and the following trustees answered: Baron, Hrechko, Roberts, and Underhill. Absent: Collins

Staff in attendance: Chief Yancey, Deputy Chief Sprague, Battalion Chief Nolan, Matt Feinberg.

Attorney Joe Miller was present

Guests present: None

Public comments: None

A motion by Trustee Underhill to approve the June 18, 2026, open board meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Roberts. All were in favor, and the motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Roberts to approve the June 18, 2026, closed board meeting minutes and that they are not open for public viewing, seconded by Trustee Hrechko. All were in favor, and the motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Underhill to approve the June Finance & Treasurer's Report, seconded by Trustee Hrechko. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Underhill-Yes, Baron-Yes, Roberts-Yes, Hrechko-Yes. Motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Roberts to approve the payment of the bill list and payroll for June of \$541,043.93, seconded by Trustee Underhill. A roll call vote was taken and

answered as follows: Hrechko-Yes, Roberts-Yes, Baron-Yes, Underhill-Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning trustees serving on the finance committee. Trustee Collins and Trustee Underhill will serve as the committee.

A motion by Trustee Underhill to approve Resolution 2026-03, Authorizing First Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement #2 - Authorizing Use of Shared Emergency Vehicle Technician Services and Facilities, seconded by Trustee Hrechko. A roll call was taken and answered as follows: Roberts-Yes, Underhill-Yes, Baron-Yes, Hrechko-Yes. Motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Roberts to approve Resolution 2026-4, Authorizing Beneficiaries of the 115, seconded by Trustee Hrechko. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Underhill-Yes, Hrechko-Yes, Baron-Yes, Roberts-Yes. Motion carried.

A motion by Trustee Roberts to declare one (1) 2010 Ford F-650 MedTec Ambulance as surplus property, seconded by Trustee Underhill. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Roberts-Yes, Baron-Yes, Hrechko-Yes, Underhill-Yes. Motion carried. Further discussion on the matter was held; Chief and Deputy Chief advised that the Seneca Fire Department is interested in purchasing the vehicle. Discussion held by the board that the chief should continue with the process to sell, based on the appraisal value, and then return to the board of trustees at that time with authorization for the sale.

A motion by Trustee Baron to accept and place on file the FY2025 completed audit, seconded by Trustee Roberts. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Roberts – Yes, Baron – Yes, Underhill – Yes, Hrechko – Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning the purchase of shirts for trustees and retirees. President Baron is working on getting shirts for the trustees through the vendor Sports Huddle. Chief Yancey had already been working on a retiree shirt design that includes a graphic of the department's antique fire truck and presented the proof to the board for review. The board liked the retiree design; Chief Yancey will continue with the process of getting a retiree T-shirt; DC Sprague will gather sizes for eligible retirees and will also research button-down dress shirts for retirees for more formal functions.

Trustee Underhill motioned to appoint Chris Salazar as Deputy Chief of Minooka Fire Protection District, effective July 27, 2026; Trustee Hrechko seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Hrechko – Yes, Underhill – Yes, Robers – Yes, Baron – Yes. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Report:

- Annual report is completed and will be sent out to the trustees for one final review before release.
- Chief and Deputy Chief are working with James Howard on the financial forecasting for the 2027 – 2032 staffing plan that was discussed in the staffing workshop a few months ago.
- The fire station location study draft is available. Chief will send the draft out to the board for review but is subject to change based on the upcoming presentation by the consultant and is not for release. This presentation will occur at a board workshop on July 27, 2026
- FY2027 budget development is underway. Goal is to have the draft budget completed by the end of August.

Deputy Chief Operations Report:

- Training classroom building is progressing with Chief and Deputy Chief regularly reviewing the progress and working with Narvick on value engineering.
- DC Sprague met with the Native American Guardians Association on hosting an orientation and awareness program for the fire district. This program will focus on ways our organization can continue to preserve and respect Native American Heritage.

Trustee Underhill made a motion at 9:41 a.m. to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing appointment, discipline, employment, compensation of one or more classes of employees, property acquisition, and matters of pending litigation, seconded by Trustee Roberts. A roll call vote was taken and answered as follows: Baron-Yes, Hrechko-Yes, Roberts-Yes, Underhill-Yes; motion carried.

The meeting was back in open session at 10:31 a.m.

There was no action as a result of closed session.

A motion by Trustee Underhill to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 a.m., seconded by Trustee Roberts. All were in favor, and the meeting adjourned


____ President


____ Secretary