



PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

President Bob Baish called the July 8, 2025, meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Plainfield Fire Protection District to order at 11:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance at the District Headquarters located at 23748 W. 135th Street, Plainfield, IL, in the Boardroom.

A roll call attendance was taken: Trustee Ted Peszynski – present, Trustee Bill Klein – present, Trustee Bob Baish – present, Trustee Doug Shreve – present, and Trustee Bob Dehm - present.

Chief Vito Bonomo, Deputy Chief Mark Reynolds, Attorney John Motylinski, Brad O’Sullivan, Governmental Accounting, and Administrative Assistant Mary Jo Fazio were also in attendance.

Open Forum – Nothing from the audience.

Correspondence – Trustee Dehm read a thank-you note from Bev and Brad Barnes.

Trustee Shreve motioned to approve the June 10, 2025, meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Dehm. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Peszynski - yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Shreve motioned to approve the June 13, 2025, workshop meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Klein. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Dehm - yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Shreve motioned to approve the June 13, 2025, closed session meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Dehm. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Peszynski - yes. Motion carried.

Brad O’Sullivan, Governmental Accounting, reviewed the Treasurer’s report with the Board. **Trustee Peszynski motioned to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented, seconded by Trustee Klein. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Dehm - yes. Motion carried.**

Trustee Shreve motioned to pay the bills in the usual manner, seconded by Trustee Dehm. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Peszynski - yes. Motion carried.

Old Business – Seeking board consideration and a possible motion for land acquisition for a future Fire Station 6. Chief Bonomo updated the Board on the status of Trammel Crow. No action was taken.

New Business – No Board of Review Notices were received.

No Annexations were received.

No Tax Objections were received.

Attorney’s Report – John Motylinski reported that House Bill 2785 regarding ambulance billing rates passed at the last Legislative session on May 31, 2025. It is not a favorable bill, and the Bill’s sponsor is suggesting that the Governor veto it. John will keep us updated on the status of the Bill.

The Board reviewed the proposal from Motorola for two portable radios. The cost is \$19,680.46 for both radios. Chief Bonomo stated that these radios will replace two older ones. After a brief conversation, **Trustee Shreve motioned to purchase two Motorola portable radios for \$19,680.46; seconded by Trustee Klein. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried. This is a budgeted item.**

Training Battalion Chief Scott Moore explained to the Board that he would like to purchase a new 20” high cube storage container to contain only stoker/pump testing equipment. This would free up space in the garage of the burn tower where these items are currently stored. The cost for the container is \$10,920.00. After the Board asked a few questions, **Trustee Klein motioned to approve the purchase of the stoker/pump testing container for \$10,920.00, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Dehm – yes. Motion carried. This is a budgeted item.**

BC Moore also received a quote for the concrete pillars with steel weld plates for the storage container for \$6,679.00. **Trustee Klein motioned to approve the purchase of the concrete pillars with steel weld plates for \$6,679.00, seconded by Trustee Peszynski. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Dehm – yes. Motion carried. This is a budgeted item.**

Chief Bonomo stated that two sealed bids were received for two new 2025 Ford SSV Expeditions. One is for the Battalion Chiefs, and the other is for Deputy Chief Kraft. Rod Baker Ford’s bid was for \$107,575.40 for two, and Ron Tirapelli Ford’s bid was for \$110,148.00 for two. After some discussion and review of the bids, **Trustee Shreve motioned to award Rod Baker Ford for two 2025 Ford SSV Expeditions for \$107,575.40, seconded by Trustee Dehm. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried.**

The Board reviewed the proposal from Fleet Safety Supply for the emergency lighting package in the amount of \$12,314.31 for Deputy Chief Kraft’s new 2025 Ford SSV Expedition. DC Reynolds explained what is included in the proposed package. **Trustee Dehm motioned to purchase the emergency light package from Fleet Safety Supply for \$12,314.31, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Dehm – yes. Motion carried.**

The Board reviewed the proposal from Fleet Safety Supply for the emergency lighting package in the amount of \$19,858.01 for the Battalion Chief’s new 2025 Ford SSV Expedition. DC Reynolds stated that there are extra lights on the Battalion Chief’s car, which is why there is a cost difference. **Trustee Shreve motioned to purchase the emergency light package from Fleet Safety Supply for \$19,858.01, seconded by Trustee Dehm. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Dehm – yes. Motion carried.**

Chief Bonomo said four sealed bids were received for the security cameras at the fire stations. He asked our Network Administrator, Michael Adduci, to explain the bid results and give his recommendation. Michael stated that two of the four companies did not meet the required bid specifications. He said Inter-Pacific (\$80,560.00) and Current Technologies (\$87,785.97) met the specifications. His recommendation was Inter-Pacific. After a lengthy discussion, **Trustee Shreve motioned to award the project to Inter-Pacific for \$80,560.00 as proposed, seconded by Trustee Peszynski. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried.**

Trustee Dehm motioned to surplus damaged fire hose for disposal, seconded by Trustee Shreve. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Dehm – yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Shreve motioned to surplus three 1 ¾” fire hoses in 150, 300, and 500 foot lengths for donation, seconded by Trustee Peszynski. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Shreve – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Klein – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried.

Chief’s Report – The income from billing services for June 2025 was \$206,002.00 from EMS MC. The billing income for June 2025 from USA Fire Recovery was \$4,248.00.

Chief Vito Bonomo updated the Board on the following items:

- Construction for the Headquarters front entry project should begin next week.
- The Illinois Department of Natural Resources sent a message stating they are getting ready to review our application for the property for Station 5.
- July 16, 2025, will open the Firefighter/Paramedic application process. Applications are due by August 22, 2025. Orientation and the written exam will be on September 20, 2025. Oral interviews will be scheduled for the top 50 candidates.
- I had a meeting with IPRF today. We met all the requirements needed for us to receive a 10% refund of our premium.

Deputy Chief Mark Reynolds updated the Board on vehicle status:

- Production of the Ford Escape that was approved by the Board a couple of weeks ago will begin on August 4, 2025.
- The vehicle committee will be meeting on July 16, 2025, to finalize the specifications for the new quint.
- The new 1931 ambulance should be delivered in October or November 2025.
- The new 1941 that is on order should be completed in 2026.
- The ambulance that has been out for the re-chassis will be completed in October 2025.
- Specifications for Ambulance 1935 (reserve) are almost complete. It will be sent for re-chassis in 2026.
- Deputy Chief Chuck Kraft’s old car, and 1968 (one of the older pick-up trucks), might be used as a trade-in at Rod Baker Ford.
- The old Battalion Chief’s car will be used as a reserve vehicle.
- The Fire Marshal’s old car will be kept as a Headquarters staff car.

Committee Reports – Nothing to report.

Other Reports – Nothing to report.

There is no need for a workshop meeting.

The next regular meeting is Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.

There being no further business or need for closed session, Trustee Shreve motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:56 a.m., seconded by Trustee Peszynski, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Dehm, Secretary

Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant