



PLAINFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD OF FIRE TRUSTEES

President Bob Baish called the September 9, 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 Bob Baish – present, and Trustee Bob Dehm - present. Trustee Bill Klein and Trustee Doug Shreve were absent.

Chief Vito Bonomo, Deputy Chief Mark Reynolds, Deputy Chief Chuck Kraft, Attorney John Motylinski, James Howard, Governmental Accounting, and Administrative Assistant Mary Jo Fazio were also in attendance.

Open Forum – Nothing from the audience.

Correspondence – Trustee Dehm read thank-you notes from the Plainfield Police Department thanking us for participating in this year's National Night Out. He also read a thank you from a resident who extended her deepest gratitude to Brennan Kuhn and Andrew Kuzmicki, who responded to a 911 call for her mother.

Trustee Peszynski motioned to approve the August 12, 2025, meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Dehm. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Peszynski – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Dehm – yes. Motion carried.

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

Trustee Peszynski motioned to pay the bills in the usual manner, seconded by Trustee Dehm. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Baish – 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 new Annexations were received.

No Tax Objections were received.

Attorney's Report – John Motylinski asked the Board if they wanted to approve the budget and levy at the November meeting.

Training Battalion Chief Scott Moore submitted a proposal for a new forcible entry prop for the training area for \$12,785.00. After a brief discussion, **Trustee Dehm motioned to approve the purchase of the forcible entry prop for \$12,785.00, seconded by Trustee Peszynski. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Basih – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried. This is a budgeted item.**

Seeking board consideration and a motion to award the Fire Station 4 repainting project from the submitted sealed bids. This was tabled until the October 7, 2025, meeting.

Chief Bonomo stated that a Side Agreement Letter with Local 4560 is needed to permit one additional Single Role Paramedic or Firefighter/Paramedic to be off on the same day, due to members receiving extra time off through seniority and anticipated future hires. A maximum of two Lieutenants and three additional bargaining unit members may be scheduled off on any duty day, for a total of five off per shift. After a brief conversation, **Trustee Peszynski motioned to approve the Side Agreement Letter with Local 4560 for a total of five bargaining unit members off per shift, seconded by Trustee Dehm. A roll call vote was taken: Trustee Dehm – yes; Trustee Baish – yes; Trustee Peszynski – yes. Motion carried.**

Chief's Report – The income from billing services for August 2025 was \$175,723.92 from EMS MC. The billing income for August 2025 from USA Fire Recovery was \$8,286.56.

Chief Vito Bonomo updated the Board on the following items:

- A Village Board member suggested a network meeting with Stakeholders within the Village. The first meeting will be at Plainfield Fire Headquarters on October 1, 2025. Trustee Baish and Trustee Peszynski will represent Plainfield Fire.
- St. 5 is moving along. We have had six design meetings so far. The due diligence period ends September 16, 2025.
- We received 29 confirmed Firefighter/Paramedic applications. We have four applicants for the Battalion Chief promotional test.
- We will be applying for a joint FEMA Grant with Oswego Fire, Troy Fire, and Romeoville Fire. This grant would be used to replace the current PEMA rehab bus.
- We are applying for a grant for a new cascade system to be installed at St. 4.
- We submitted for a \$1,000.00 American Water Grant that will help purchase Kiosks. They will be in the library downtown and at the Park District office. They will have information on fire safety and CPR. We will also have one in Headquarters.
- We participated in a disaster drill exercise with the Village.
- Saturday, September 27, 2025, is our Open House at St. 2.
- In August, we responded to 601 calls. This is the highest monthly call volume we have ever recorded.

Deputy Chief Mark Reynolds updated the Board on vehicle status:

- Horton stated that 1914 will be completed in December 2025.
- 1931 is in production and should be completed by the end of October or November 2025.
- Deputy Chief Kraft's car is in, along with the new Battalion Chief's car and Fire Marshal Angelus' car. We will pick them up next week.
- We are hopeful to have the final specs for the new Quint for St. 4 in October.

Committee Reports – Nothing to report.

Other Reports – Nothing to report.

The next regular meeting is Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. **Note the October meeting date change.**

There being no further business or need for closed session, Trustee Peszynski motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m., seconded by Trustee Dehm, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Dehm, Secretary

Mary Jo Fazio, Administrative Assistant