

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
The Board of Trustees  
Of the Beecher Fire Protection District**

On 21 November 2024, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Beecher Fire Protection District was held at 7:00PM pursuant to the notice at Fire Station in Beecher, Illinois.

**November 21, 2024  
Order of Business**

**Call to Order:** 7:00 pm

**Roll Call:** **Members Present:** B. Becker, M. Cook, D. Kolosh, L. Siefker and M. Waterman.

**Members Absent:**

**Also, Present** Chief Falaschetti, Deputy Chief Heusing, Assistant Chief McGannon and James Howard (via zoom).

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker to approve the minutes from the October 24, 2024 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

**Treasurers Report:** Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual report, Bank Reconciliation for checking account and Investment Reports for the month of October were distributed to trustees. A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve Treasurers report. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

**Approval of Bills:** No bills presented.

**NON-Discussion Agenda**

**Chief's Report:** Continuing to work with the solar farms to assistance the district with brush truck project. Update on Fire Alarm acceptance test, plan review and sprinkler plan review for Faith Church and Police Station. Grant updates. Have been receiving calls in regards to businesses not receiving copy of their fire alarm testing certificates, they were advised to contact

the Village. Chief will contact Village in regards to annual fire inspections. Beecher Blessing distribution date is December 14. 2025 Board Up Service applications have been reviewed and validates. Updates on MABAS 27 and WILCO Fire Radio Group. Handling of ambulance hardship cases.

**Deputy Chief's Report:** Update on vehicle and equipment maintenance, total training firefighter training hours 8099, Pochinskas certified HazMat Technician, DuBois certified Incident Safety Officer, Marquez licensed EMT-B and four candidates in the Fire Academy, two have passed their Mod A & B tests.

**Assistant Fire Chief:** Update on mental health program. New candidates.

**General Public:** N/A

**Discussion Agenda:**

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Personnel** – Contract is full, FF Dubois is acting officer on Gold Shift. Two new part time employees, Eggert and Valentine.
- B. Public Relations** – No Report.
- C. Communications** – No Report.
- D. Village Liaison** – No Report.
- E. Legal Update** – Chief gave update.
- F. Pension Board** – No report.

**Unfinished Business:** N/A

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve Ordinance 1121-24A 2024 Bond Abatement. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, five ayes.

A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to approve Ordinance 1121-24B 2024 Tax Levy. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

A motion was made by Trustee L. Siefker, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to approve the 2025 Worker's Compensation Renewal with IPRF. Motion passes unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by D. Kolosh to approve District Funeral guidelines. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker at 7:33pm to go in to close session. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman to reopen meeting at 7:42pm for Treasures Report presented by James Howard. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to go back in to close session at 7:55pm. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker to reopen meeting at 8:45pm, no action taken. All motions passed unanimously by roll call votes, five ayes.

**Scheduled Meetings/ Seminars:** MABAS conference in February.

**Trustee Comments:** Brunch with Santa at the station will be on December 7.

**Next Meeting Date/Time:** December 18, 2024 at 7:00pm

**Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh, motion carried.

**Recorded by**  
**Angie Koehne**