

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

On 18 December 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.

**December 18, 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 Brad O’Sullivan (via zoom).

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker to approve the minutes from the November 21, 2024 regular meeting. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker to approve minutes from November 21, 2024 closed session. Motions both 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 November were distributed to trustees.

**Approval of Bills:** Bills for November and December were distributed to trustees. A motion was made by Trustee L. Siefker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to pay bills. Motion passes unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

**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 Police Station. Life safety plan reviews, Old Gun Shop and First Community Bank and Trust. Meeting with Beecher Public Works in regards to water system. AFG Grant for Cardiac Monitors. Fuel Committee upcoming meeting, annual fire inspections. Turnout gear, dual response for vehicle accident. Updates on MABAS 27 and WILCO Fire Radio Group. Structure Fire on Dixie.

**Deputy Chief's Report:** Update on vehicle and equipment maintenance, total training firefighter training hours 8,512. Fire Academy is completed. FF/EMT Valentine passed his EMT test.

**Assistant Fire Chief:** Update on mental health program. Candidates. Turnout gear.

**General Public:** N/A

**Discussion Agenda:**

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Personnel** – Contract is full. FF/EMT Marquez and FF/EMT Valentine are permanent part time. Four part time members resigned. Admin Assist was added to health insurance plan. SO Budimir is now CPR Coordinator.
- B. Public Relations** – No Report.
- C. Communications** – Trustee D. Kolosh gave LLC update. Chief gave update on text 911.
- D. Village Liaison** – Trustee M. Waterman gave TIF meeting update.
- E. Legal Update** – No. Report.
- F. Pension Board** – No report.

**Unfinished Business:** N/A

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker at 7:25pm to go in to close session. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to reopen meeting at 7:45pm, no action taken. Both motions passed unanimously by roll call votes, five ayes.

A motion was made by Trustee B. Becker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve 4% pay increase to Chief's contract. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to approve chief's performance review. Both motions passed unanimously by roll call votes, five ayes.

**Scheduled Meetings/ Seminars:** N/A

**Trustee Comments:** N/A

**Next Meeting Date/Time:** January 23, 2025 at 7:00pm

**Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker, motion carried.

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