

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

On the 25th of April 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.

**April 25, 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.

Also Present: Chief Falaschetti, Attorney John Motylinski 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 March 20, 2024 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve the minutes from the closed session on March 20, 2024. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

Treasurers Report: Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual report, Bank Reconciliation for checking accounts and Investment Reports for the month of March were distributed to trustees. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman to approve the treasurer's report. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

Approval of Bills: The bills for the month of April were reviewed and a motion was made to pay bills by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.

NON-Discussion Agenda

Chief's Report: Chief Falaschetti gave updates on fire prevention, solar farm, mental health program, International

Fire Code, Capital Replacement plan, station maintenance, Firefighters Association, agricultural rescue equipment, new ambulance, fuel system software, IFERN radio, automatic aid agreements and various grants.

Deputy Chief's Report: Update on vehicle and equipment maintenance and training.

General Public: N/A

Discussion Agenda:

Committee Reports:

- A. Personnel** – Update full-time/part time program.
- B. Public Relations** – N/A
- C. Communications** – Chief gave update.
- D. Village Liaison** – Chief met with the village in regards to fire code.
- E. Legal Update** – Attorney John Motylinski gave update.
- F. Pension Board** – Conference May 8-10

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

1. James Howard presented FY 24/25 budget.
2. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman to approve Metro Contract. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.
3. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker to approved revised Board of Fire Commissioners rules. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes.
4. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve wage increase for part time employees effective May 1, 2024. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, five ayes.
5. A motion was made by Trustee L. Siefker, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to surplus ambulance printers. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, five ayes.
6. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to approve donation request for MABAS 27 golf outing hole sponsor \$250.00. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, five ayes.
7. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee B. Becker to promote LT Tim McGannon to Assistant Chief with take home vehicle and cell phone. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, five ayes.
8. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker at 8:12 pm to go in to closed session. A motion was made by

Trustee B. Becker to, seconded by D. Kolosh reopen meeting at 8:37 pm.
Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, five ayes. No action taken.

Scheduled Meetings/ Seminars: Pension conference in May

Trustee Comments: N/A

Next Meeting Date/Time: May 30, 2024 at 7:00pm

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:44pm was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh, motion carried.

Recorded by
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