

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

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2023, 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.

**May 25, 2023  
Order of Business**

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

Lyle Siefker is sworn in as new trustee.

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

**Members Absent:** B. Becker

**Also Present:** Chief Falaschetti, Tom Gilbert, John Falduto (Sawyer Falduto) and James Howard (zoom).

**Trustee Appointments:** A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to nominate Trustee M. Cook as board president. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent. A motion was made by Trustee M. Cook, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman to nominate Trustee D. Kolosh as treasurer. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent. A motion was made by Trustee M. Cook, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to nominate Trustee M. Waterman as secretary. Motion passed by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve the minutes from the April 27, 2023 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve the minutes from May 9, 2023 closed session. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

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

**Approval of Bills:** The bills for the month of May 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, four ayes, one absent.

## **NON-Discussion Agenda**

**Chief's Report:** Chief Falaschetti gave updates on fire prevention, incident on Delite Inn Rd, Junior Fire Academy, meet and greet with Crete Township, training and various grants.

**Deputy Chief's Report:** No Report

**General Public:** N/A

## **Discussion Agenda:**

### **Committee Reports:**

- A. Personnel** – One contract employee has resigned.
- B. Public Relations** – N/A
- C. Communications** – Trustee D. Kolosh gave update.
- D. Village Liaison** – N/A
- E. Legal Update** – Attorney Gilbert gave update
- F. Pension Board** – Chief Falaschetti gave update.
- G. Ambulance** – Chief Falaschetti gave update.

## **Unfinished Business:**

## **New Business:**

1. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve 2023/2024 Tentative Budget. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.
2. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman to approve Ordinance 0525-23 Efficiency Act Committee. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.
3. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker to approve Resolution 052523 MABAS Intergovernmental Agreement. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

4. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee L. Siefker to approve hole sponsor donation for the Beecher HS golf team outing. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, four ayes and one absent.
5. Trustee L. Siefker will be a new signer on all accounts( checking and investment) at Midland States Bank and Charles Schwab. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman to transfer money from account \*\*\*\*\*2908 to account \*\*\*\*\*1363. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, four ayes, one absent. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to close account \*\*\*\*\*2908. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.
6. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman to approve contract raise. Motion approved by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent. A motions was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh to approve district raises (3%). Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.
7. A motion was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh at 8:07pm to go in to closed session. A motion was made by Trustee D. Kolosh, seconded by Trustee M. Waterman to reopen meeting at 9:08pm, no action taken. Motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, four ayes, one absent.

**Scheduled Meetings/ Seminars:** ICHIEF / IAFPD conference in June

**Trustee Comments:** N/A

**Next Meeting Date/Time:** June 22, 2023 at 7:00pm

**Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 pm was made by Trustee M. Waterman, seconded by Trustee D. Kolosh, motion carried.

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