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Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Huntley Fire Protection District 6/17/2025 at 9:00am Station One

Trustee Brown called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order. Roll call noted, present were Trustee Brown, Trustee Saletta, Trustee Palermo, Trustee Davis, and Trustee Fluhler. Also present were Chief Wagner, Deputy Chief Levendoski, Attorney Miller, Executive Administrator Callie Thompson, and Administrative Assistant Tina Winters.

The meeting opened at 9:00am.

Public Comments: None.

Correspondence: We were sent a thank you message via Huntley Chat from a resident.

Treasurer's Report: Trustee Saletta motioned to approve the Treasurers Report and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,132,158.48, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted and all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Lauterbach and Amen Budget Report: The expenditures are a little high. Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the Lauterbach and Amen Report, which is in the Board packet, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Alex Vucha entered the meeting at 9:04am.

Approval of Regular Minutes of May 20, 2025: Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on May 20, 2025, with the correction on the spelling of Christina Busby's name, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, Trustee Brown abstained, all remaining voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Approval of Closed Meeting Minutes of May 20, 2025: Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the minutes from the closed meeting on May 20, 2025, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, Trustee Brown abstained, all remaining voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Attorney Report: Attorney Miller discussed reviewing all the closed minutes and opening some. After 18 months, we can destroy the recordings of the closed minutes. We are waiting for the lift assist bill to be released. We will need to release the amount of ambulance revenues we have received to IDPH. GEMT has been approved through the end of this calendar year.

IMRF Resolution 2025-01: Chief Ravagnie was the prior IMRF agent, and we need to update that to Chief Wagner. Trustee Saletta motioned to approve the appointment of Chief Wagner to the IMRF Authorized Agent, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.



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General Report: There is a local officials appreciation picnic on August 16, 2025. Last year we had Lauterbach and Amen come in to do document archive review. The application has been approved, and we will destroy 14 boxes of records. This week we will have state of the district meetings with each of the shifts. We received 48 questions back. Chief Wagner is planning on sending out the answers ahead of time before the meetings. We are working on finalizing a few utility contracts for ComEd and Comcast to lower our costs. We have our accreditation team picked out and Lt. Floyel will be the accreditation manager. We are applying for a grant to help cover the costs. Since 2017, we have been billed for business association dues for Station 3. We are unaware of an agreement regarding this. We have the RFP ready for the Station 4 retention pond. We are just waiting for the easement agreement with the church. We would like to proceed with the RFP and want to approve a bid at the July meeting. We have all parties in agreement on the MERP program. The Union is working on finalizing the language. We are hoping to have a resolution regarding this next month. The audit will be the week of July 14th. We are at 3,285 calls for the year, which is a 9.9% increase from last year. We are averaging 40% of our calls to Del Webb. We do not have any credentialed officers through the Center of Public Safety Excellence program; however, several members are now in the process of getting this credentialing. We would like to have 20% of our officers credentialed by the end of the year. Foreign fire is funding this. We are working on recertifications of our membership. Certifications expire in December 2025.

Alex Vucha left the meeting at 9:19am.

Alarm Response: Any questions? No.

EMS Dispatches: Any questions? No.

Mobile Integrated Health: Any questions? No. The lending closet has been a huge success.

Fire Prevention Report: There is an IFC Codes update. Fire Marshal Buschbacher is bringing in additional revenue.

Public Education Report: We have done a lot of public education recently. We would like to map out all the AEDs in the district through the Pulse Point App. There was some discussion on the pulse point program.

Facilities Report: There was some discussion on the fees for the elevator inspections. Chief Wagner is looking into changing elevator companies. There was some discussion on the report in the packet.

Apparatus Maintenance: All ladder testing is completed and everything passed. The 1944 antique engine is running.

Customer Service Surveys: We are currently at 49% and all have been positive.

Committee Reports: The Safety Committee will meet again in August. Battalion Chief Harders will take Chief Wagner's place on the committee. Fire Marshal Buschbacher and Lt. Madsen are working on the OSHA self-inspections. We ran mental health awareness campaigns in May and the 100 Club came out and did mental health presentations and gave a lot of resources. Labor Management brough up different recruitment ideas. There was some discussion on EMTs in paramedic school being hired full-time. We are looking at splitting comp



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time. There was some discussion on allowing all ambulances to have a paramedic and EMT on them. The trustees would prefer to have two paramedics on each ambulance. The next Foreign Fire meeting is August 15, 2025.

Insurance: Nothing.

SEECOM: ETSB is researching a new cad vendor possibly in the next few years.

Board of Commissioners: The next meeting will be in July.

Fire Cost Recovery: We received a check for \$3,024.00.

Grant Applications: We applied for several grants for extrication tools, the gem cart, bringing power to the training tower, and other supplies. We were looking at applying for a second SAFER grant for full-time employees, but it is not feasible at this time.

Village/Counties: We are still working on IGAs with Pingree, Gilberts and Lake in the Hills. Pingree will not release the impact fees money they owe us until we sign the IGA. Chief would like to look into an established fee structure for festivals.

New Business:

Josh Koelper College \$364.50

Jon King College \$364.50

Chris Jagels College \$364.50

We separated out our tuition reimbursement in the budget this year. Trustee Davis motioned to approve the tuition reimbursement for Josh Koelper, Jon King, and Chris Jagels in the total amount of \$1,093.50, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

ASAP Garage Door \$7,390.00: This is for the garage doors at Station 5. Trustee Saletta motioned to approve the payment to ASAP in the amount of \$7,390.00, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Motorola Radios \$91,634.32: This is for the purchase of eight next generation radios for the Chiefs and Officers positions. We should be getting this money reimbursed from ETSB. Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the payment to Motorola in the amount of \$91,634.32, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Dinges Hose \$15,000.00: Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the purchase of replacement up to \$15,000.00, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.



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Hopkins Ford \$5,580.68: This is for a filter for the reserve ambulance. This amount includes a \$500 core fee for the older filter. Trustee Saletta made a motion to approve the payment to Hopkins Ford up to \$6,080.00, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Bid Proposals- Station 2 Roof: We received five bids, but only four of them showed up to the mandatory meeting. The bids ranged from \$56,000.00 to \$178,000.00. Raby only does pitched roofs, no flat roofs. They are out of Gilbert's. Their quote was \$82,000.00; however, it could be up to \$85,000.00 with incidentals. We also received \$67,000.00 already from our insurance to help cover the costs. Trustee Palermo made a motion to find that Raby was the lowest responsible bidder and authorized Chief Wagner to enter into an agreement with them up in an amount up to \$85,000.00, seconded by Trustee Saletta. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Trustees' Agenda:

We will investigate if the trustees are included on our liability insurance for the use of a car, and what the trustees reimbursements and per diems are for school.

Trustee Saletta made a motion to authorize the payout of sick and vacation time and longevity to Chief Ravagnie, as discussed by the Board of Trustees, in the amount of \$76,754.40, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Chief Wagner would like to come up with a non-collective bargaining unit salary and benefits ordinance in the future.

The board authorizes the payment for Chief Ravagnie's retirement ceremony. The amount was under \$5,000.00 and paid as part of Chief Wagner's spending authority.

Trustee Davis motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Palermo. All in favor say aye and the meeting closed at 11:14am.

Secretary Lucas Palermo