



HUNTLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Huntley Fire Protection District 8/19/2025 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, Administrative Assistant Tina Winters, and Joseph Mahoney.

The meeting opened at 9:00am.

Public Comments: None.

Correspondence: We received several thank-you letters that are in the packet.

Treasurer's Report: Trustee Saletta motioned to approve the Treasurers Report and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$729,413.62, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted and all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Lauterbach and Amen Budget Report: We are right on target with the expenditures. We need to show the ambulance fund separately. We were sent updated monthly financials after the packet was already put together. Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the updated Lauterbach and Amen Report, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Approval of Special Minutes of June 6, 2025: Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the minutes from the special board meeting on June 6, 2025, seconded by Trustee Saletta. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Approval of Regular Minutes of July 15, 2025: Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on July 15, 2025, seconded by Trustee Saletta. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Approval of Closed Minutes of July 15, 2025: Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the minutes from the closed board meeting on July 15, 2025, seconded by Trustee Saletta. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Attorney Report: The Governor did sign the lift assist bill that goes into effect January 1, 2026. We will need to adopt an ordinance with the rate. Transports do not count, just lift assists. He also signed an ambulance billing bill that says an ambulance bill is now in network. They are not currently considered in network. Mid-term elections are in November 2026. Medicaid cuts probably won't happen until 2027. There is also a bill that got approved which states there will now be a charge of \$15 per person annually for members who use pharmacy services.



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Resolution 2025-04 for Closed Session Recordings Destruction: We do not have to keep recordings older than 18 months. Trustee Saletta made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-04, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Ordinance 2025-03 for 2024 International Fire Codes: We are updating to the 2024 fire codes. Trustee Saletta made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-03, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Pingree IGA: This is an agreement for impact fees. This covers Cambridge North, but they did commit to doing another ordinance for an impact fee structure. Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the Pingree IGA, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

General Report: The United Church of Christ is having a pork chop dinner this Saturday. This year they decided to donate a portion of the proceeds to us. We have one work comp case active. We changed our work comp insurance to a \$0 deductible this year, but we still have claims outstanding from prior years that we are paying for.

Alarm Response Report: At the end of July 2025, we are on pace for 7,800 calls for the year. We had 4,157 at this time last year, and we are currently at 4,580 calls.

EMS Report: No questions or comments.

Mobile Integrated Health Report: No questions or comments.

Fire Prevention Report: No questions or comments.

Public Education Report: No questions or comments.

Facilities Report: No questions or comments.

Apparatus Maintenance Report: Engine 945, which has been in the repair shop for the last few months, should be back this Friday. Ambulance 953 has had a lot of issues since we received it and is also in the shop.

Training Report: No questions or comments.

Customer Service Surveys: We are currently at 50% and all have been positive.

Committee Reports: The Safety Committee met this morning. There was discussion on the plymovent system. Several stations have old ones, so they are not being used. There is a grant out there that could help finance new ones. Foreign Fire agreed to pay for additional cancer screening to be done with our physicals at the end of the year. Foreign Fire also purchased extrication tools.

Insurance: We are looking into different insurance options for the retirees. This will be at no cost to the district.



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SEECOM: They are trying to control costs, so they have looked at combining departments in the same talk groups. We could be on the same dispatch as Algonquin. This could happen in the next few years.

Board of Commissioners: We have a group of part-time members we want to hire. There was some discussion on psych evaluations. Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the hiring of seven part-time firefighter/EMTs and one part-time paramedic-only, seconded by Trustee Saletta. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Approve Stipends: Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the quarterly stipends for the Commissioners as presented in the packet, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Fire Cost Recovery: We received a check for \$3,608.00.

Grant Applications: We are waiting to hear about three outstanding grant applications. For the first time, we were awarded a training reimbursement and received about \$6,000.00 for that.

FEMA Grant: We have a 5% match if we are awarded the FEMA grant, which would be just over \$2,000.00 we would need to pay.

Village/Countries: We are working on an IGA with Gilberts for impact fees. We are also working with Algonquin and Lake in the Hills. The Lake in the Hills water department will be attending an ISO class with us.

Surplus Items: Trustee Saletta motioned to approve the surplus items listed in the packet, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

RIT Combi Tools \$30,430.00: This is being paid for by Foreign Fire. Trustee Saletta motioned to approve the purchase by Foreign Fire in the amount of \$30,430.00, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Josh Koelper College \$364.50: Trustee Palermo motioned to approve the tuition reimbursement in the amount of \$364.50, seconded by Trustee Saletta. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Flashpoint Strategies \$36,000.00: We have applied for a grant to cover these services, but if we do not get it, we will need to pay for it ourselves. Trustee Palermo made a motion to authorize an agreement with Flashpoint, with a notion that if the district receives the grant, the funds to pay for this will come from the grant, seconded by Trustee Saletta. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Manchester Lakes: Chief spoke to Manchester Lakes and they are willing to do a set fee of \$250 per month starting January 1, 2026, and then they will increase annually by 3% or the CPI, whichever is higher. We do not have the signed agreement yet.

Regency Square Association: Chief spoke to the property manager and their attorneys. We do need to pay the association fees. They are currently \$75 a quarter. We owe roughly \$8,000.00 in fees, but they agreed to remove



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the late fees, which should bring the balance down to around \$5,700.00. Trustee Saletta made a motion to pay the fees, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

The Illinois Fire Prevention Association is having a luncheon on October 9, 2025. We may be given an award, which then we will be given a table of 10 to attend. We will find out by September 1, 2025.

Trustee Palermo motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Saletta. All in favor say aye and the meeting closed at 10:18am.

President Milford Brown

Secretary Lucas Palermo

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President

James Saletta
Treasurer

Lucas Palermo
Secretary

John Davis
Trustee

Brian Fluhler
Trustee

Daniel Wagner
Fire Chief