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### Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Huntley Fire Protection District

#### 10/15/2024 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 Mahoney, Trustee Davis, and Trustee Palermo. Also present were Chief Ravagnie, Deputy Chief Levendoski, Deputy Chief Wagner, Attorney Miller, Executive Administrator Callie Thompson, Administrative Assistant Tina Winters, Alex Vucha, Tom Sawyer, Wade Arthur and members of the public.

The meeting opened at 9:01am.

Public Comments: None.

Correspondence: None.

Presentations- Life Saving Award: On July 12, 2024, there was a 42 y/o male working outside when he started not feeling well. Two neighbors came over to help and started CPR. Lt. Gitzke presented lifesaving awards to the members of the public who assisted with CPR and calling 911.

Alex Vucha and members of the public left the meeting at 9:05am.

Sawyer and Falduto: Tom Sawyer gave an overview of the report that is in the packet.

Costabile & Steffens P.C.: Wade presented the annual audit report with an unmodified clean audit opinion.

Tom Sawyer and Wade Arthur left the meeting at 9:16am.

Treasurer's Report: Trustee Saletta motioned to approve the Treasurers Report and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,112,764.22, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted and all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Lauterbach and Amen Budget Report: We are at 42% of our expenditure. We appear to be lower on our operational expenses. Trustee Saletta 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.

Approval of Regular Minutes from September 17, 2024: Trustee Mahoney motioned to approve the minutes from the Regular Board meeting on September 17, 2024 with a change in spelling from "trust" to "truck" on the last page, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, Trustee Palermo abstained, all remaining voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.



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Attorney Report: We will be working on the tax levy ordinance next month.

General Report: We are currently at 5,738 calls year to date, compared to 5,436 this time last year. We currently have three members on light duty, with one having been released and one more will start in November. The Szymczak ALS Turner Foundation came in to take a picture at the station. They had donated \$40,000 from the golf outing. We had our retiree luncheon and a few Chamber events. We met with the MCC head of fire science and talked about classes and tower usage. The kids Halloween party was a success. We had two fires recently. We had one members hit their head on the engine door and need stitches, but he is okay.

Alarm Response: Any questions? No.

EMS Dispatches: Any questions? No.

Hospitals Report: Any questions? No.

Mobile Integrated Health: Any questions? No.

Fire Prevention Report: We have new fees that we are getting revenue from for sprinkler reviews.

Public Education Report: Any questions? No.

Customer Service Surveys: We are currently at 47% and all have been positive.

Facilities Report: Any questions? No.

Apparatus Maintenance: Any questions? No.

Committee Reports: Nothing for the Safety committee. We had our Labor Management meeting. Foreign Fire will meet October 25, 2024.

Insurance: We had our insurance meeting and it went well.

SEECOM: We had our quarterly SEECOM meeting. We will be going from Fire Ground Red to an ops channel. We have a working EMS box alarm we will be using for large scale events.

Board of Commissioners: Nothing.

Fire Cost Recovery: We received a check for \$4,840.00.

Grant Applications: We do not believe that we received the radio grant, but we have not received anything from them.



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Village/Counties: Chief Ravagnie and Deputy Chief Levendoski attended the passenger rail meeting. There was no new information, just that they were working on it and want to have it running in 2027. We had our regular HAART group meeting. Police and fire did an active shooter tabletop training. We have a tornado training class at the village in November.

#### **New Business:**

2025 IAFF HWT Renewal: Trustee Saletta motioned to approve the renewal of the health insurance through the IAFF HWT, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Stryker \$63,249.26: This is for the power load and cot for the new ambulance. Trustee Palermo motioned to approve payment to Stryker in the amount of \$63,249.26, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Trustees Agenda:

New or Old Business:

The McHenry County Trustee meeting is October 28, 2024.

Trustee Davis brought up the call we had for a cat stuck in a tree. We did respond but did not get the cat. We will work on updating operational procedures for responding to calls like this.

Trustee Saletta motioned to close the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees and move into closed session for the appointment, employment, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, Collective Bargaining matters or consideration of salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, and the purchase or lease of real property or setting of a price for sale or lease of district property, inviting in Chief Ravagnie, Deputy Chief Levendoski, Deputy Chief Wagner, Executive Administrator Callie Thompson, Administrative Assistant Tina Winters, and Attorney Miller, seconded by Trustee Davis. All in favor say ave and the meeting closed at 9:44am.

Trustee Saletta motioned to close the closed meeting of the Board of Trustees and return to open session, seconded by Trustee Mahoney. All in favor say aye and the closed session meeting ended at 10:40am.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees re-opened at 10:40am.

Callie Thompson and Tina Winters re-entered the meeting at 10:47am.

Executive Administrator, Administrative Assistant review: Trustee Saletta motioned to authorize an increase in vacation days for Callie Thompson and Tina Winters by five days each, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.



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Deputy Chief review: Trustee Palermo motioned to approve a \$5,000 increase in annual pay for Deputy Chief Wagner based on his 6-month evaluation, effective November 1, 2024, seconded by Trustee Davis. Roll call noted, all voting members voted yes. The motion was passed.

Local 4106 Benefit Proposal: Nothing.

Chief Ravagnie reviewed station coverage and details for Lt. Larsen's funeral.

The Pension Board currently has over \$53,000,000. We are at 82% funded, and we need to be at 90% by 2040. The next budget year should include another \$300,000 for pension.

We are looking to hire again in January or February.

There was some discussion about Lt. Larsen's wife continuing on our insurance. Attorney Miller will look into it.

Trustee Saletta motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Palermo. All in favor say aye and the meeting closed at 11:02am.

President Milford Brown	Secretary Joseph Mahoney