

**SUGAR GROVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
TRUSTEE'S MEETING
OPEN MINUTES**

Date: September 15, 2025
Time: 5:00 pm
Place: Sugar Grove Fire Station

Board of Trustees: David Blankenship– President
Tim Cicero – Secretary
Nicole Lamela – Treasurer
Mike Fagel – Trustee
Susan Cuomo - Trustee

Guests: Chief Moran, DC Weaver, Paula Lacey, Lori Kellogg, John Falduto

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call – Trustee Cicero – absent

Public to Address the Board – Nothing heard

Minutes –

July 21, 2025 – open

Motioned by Fagel Seconded by Lamela to Approve July 21, 2025, open minutes

Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Correspondence –

- Oswego Fire District extended gratitude for support during services for FF Roberto Flores
- Joint Labor Management Committee reviewed and approved the Cadet Preference Points

July 2025 Report – Cash Balances vs Actual Reports –

Motioned by Lamela Seconded by Fagel to Approve the Cash Balances and Budget vs Actual Reports for July 2025 - Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Expenditures –

Motioned by Lamela Seconded by Fagel to Approve the Expenditures for July 2025

Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion Carried

August 2025 Report – Cash Balances vs Actual Reports –

Motioned by Fagel Seconded by Lamela to Approve the Cash Balances and Budget vs Actual Reports for August 2025 - Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Expenditures –

Motioned by Fagel Seconded by Lamela to Approve the Expenditures for August 2025

Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion Carried

Consent Purchase Agenda –

Lucas Chest Compression System – \$19,680.66 – This will be for the engine - was unable to get grant

Computers and Monitors – \$8,078,48 – Replace outdated – part of Capital Plan

Motioned by Fagel Seconded by Lamela to approve the Consent Agenda for September 2025

Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Trustees Report –

- Trustee Fagel had 3 presentations on 9/11- COD, WCC, and Sugar Grove Library – Crew went to Library presentation where Trustee Fagel presented them with a Flag from Ground Zero
- DHS – by September 30, 4000 employees will be eliminated – Trustee Fagel is one of them
- Trustee Cuomo thanked the Chief for taking her around the district
- Questioned why the emblem on the Chiefs vehicle is so small and not larger on the door – More subdued that way

Report of the Fire Chief –

- Operations report included in packet
- Medics are running even – 55 and 53
- Trailer was donated by Legacy Fire Apparatus, repairs done by R& P Carriage – they donated time, only paid for materials – Graphics were covered by the Recruitment Retention Grant – total cost to district was about \$1000.
- Ford Expedition was sold for \$9500
- Pork Chop dinner – sold 333 dinners - \$560 will go to association for scholarships
- Training site on schedule
- Change order for giant pond is costing about \$150,000 for storm water collection
- 2 POCs, Niedzwiecki and Craft, became paramedics and resigned – Niedzwiecki will come back as a POC in about 6 months.
- Busy Weekend –
 - Friday – Fire at Aurora Airport, Saturday – Elburn Mutual Aid, Sunday – Dryer Fire on Terry Drive, Sunday – Fatal fire in North Aurora
- Chris Thomas, our part-time fire inspector, retired from St. Charles, will be putting in more hours
- Trustee Fagel – what can we do about the revolving door – Chief Moran – that is part of the part-time program we have. When we expand the list, we will have a good pool to choose from

New Business –

Create New Full-Time Firefighter List –

Process has started – Applications due in by October 13 – Testing in November

Motioned by Fagel Seconded by Cuomo to approve the Commission to begin the hiring process to create a new full-time firefighter list - Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Secretary Pro-Tem –

Motioned by Blankenship Seconded by Lamela to appoint Mike Fagel as Secretary Pro-Tem

Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Ordinance 2025-02 Reorganization of Company Officer Structure –

Discussed in contract negotiations – remove Captain position – Current Captain will retain rank until retired.

Motioned by Lamela Seconded by Cuomo to approve Ordinance 2025-02 Reorganization of Company Officer

Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Treasurers Annual Statement of Receipts and Disbursements –

This is a yearly report that needs to be approved and filed with Kane County

Motioned by Lamela Seconded by Fagel to approve the Treasurers Annual Statement of Receipts and

Disbursements - Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Closed Session – None

All Other Matters that May Come Before the Board – Nothing heard

Motioned by Fagel Seconded by Blankenship to adjourn the meeting at 5:17pm.

Roll call vote: All in favor, Motion carried

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Fagel, Secretary Pro-Tem



Paula Lacey, Recording Secretary