

Regular Meeting
2/17/26

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Kallas at 7:35 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Members Present: President George Kallas, Secretary Phillip Saas, Trustee Robb Hannen, and Treasurer Luke Allen. Absent: Trustee Randy Simpson.

Also Present: Chief Steven Evans, DC Timothy Roman, Admin. Assistant Robin Youngberg, Attorney Joe Miller, and James Howard (via Zoom).

Public Comment: None.

Minutes: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of 1/20/26 were distributed to the Board prior to the meeting. There being no changes, Trustee Saas made a motion to approve both sets of minutes as amended, seconded by Trustee Allen. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report: James Howard reviewed his financial report, and the Board received a monthly report from Sawyer-Falduto as well.

The Treasurer's Report for 1/31/26 was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting. As of 1/31/26, the beginning balance in the checking account, general money market account and Schwab Operating Reserve Fund was \$4,366,691.65. After deposits of \$567,369.99 and disbursements of \$675,564.55, the ending balance for those accounts was \$4,258,497.09. The combined balance of the Schwab Construction Fund and the Schwab Equipment Fund was \$1,844,553.98. Trustee Saas made a motion to approve all reports as presented, seconded by Trustee Hannen. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Chief's Report: Chief Evans reviewed the Alliance training for the month, and he spoke about some recent events of note. He then gave an update Probationary Members.

Chief Evans next gave an update on the Fleet, and he stated that the administration is currently working on a revamped replacement schedule for fleet and both facilities for budgeting funds and the strategic plan.

The Lieutenant Promotional testing is completed, and the Preliminary List is posted, pending the 10 days for military points. The existing Firefighter Eligibility list is being exhausted, and new hire testing will likely begin shortly.

Chief Evans stated that the punch list items were nearing completion, and he is working with a resident west of County Farm Road and DuDOT to address siren noise concerns.

OSHA compliance audit preparation is underway, with the audit scheduled for late March of 2026.

Commercial occupancy inspections, currently being headed up by Lt. Formento, are nearing completion, and he is working on the records management system. The Village of Winfield

occupancy inspection issue needs to be addressed in the near future due to complications with the IGA.

The District is awaiting the initial ISO report, which often requires follow-up and corrections prior to being published.

Attorney's Report: None.

Old Business: None.

Consent Agenda: The Run Report for January was received by the Board. After discussion, Trustee Hannen made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Allen. All in favor.

New Business: The Tentative Budget has been prepared and is on file for the next 60 days for public review.

Chief Evans provided the Board with a memorandum on the augmentation of County Farm Road Warning Devices, to include additional signage, as well as pavement striping across all lanes of traffic on County Farm Road in front of the fire station. After discussion, the Board agreed to have Chief Evans proceed with that process.

Attorney Miller then address a potential tax liability issue, explaining that the situation may need a special meeting when the issue is resolved either way.

Payment of Bills: The monthly bill list for February was provided to the Board prior to the meeting indicating a total of \$115,174.59. Trustee Hannen made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Other Business: Since March 17th is Election Day, the Board agreed to move the March Board meeting to March 10, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.

Trustee Hannen then made a motion to adjourn to Closed Session for purposes of discussion land acquisition and personnel at 8:25 p.m., seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried.

(Closed Session)

The Board resumed Open Session and President Kallas called the meeting to order at 8:50 p.m. with the same members present. There being nothing further for discussion in Open Session, Trustee Hannen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Allen. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

George Kallas, President

Robin K. Youngberg, Recording Secretary