



Mokena Fire Protection District

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MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT'S

TRUSTEE MEETING

October 14th, 2025

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Fire Station #3

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Established 1883
Organized 1917



The regular meeting of the Mokena Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, October 14th, 2025, at Mokena Fire Station 1 at 7:00 PM.

Trustees Roll Call:

Trustee Haas	Present
Trustee Blank	Present
Trustee Hennessy	Present
Trustee Burkhardt	Present
Trustee Warning	Present

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chief Joe Cirelli, Deputy Chief Rick Campbell, Accountant John Williams, and Recording Secretary Rebecca Duffy.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING, CORRECTIONS, APPROVAL

Trustee Blank made a motion, seconded by Trustee Burkhardt, to approve the minutes of the September 9th, 2025, Trustee meeting. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Haas aye; Trustee Blank aye; Trustee Hennessy aye; Trustee Burkhardt aye; Trustee Warning aye.

Trustee Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Warning, to approve the minutes of the September 9th, 2025, closed session. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Haas aye; Trustee Blank aye; Trustee Hennessy aye; Trustee Burkhardt aye; Trustee Warning aye.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

UNION REPORT

None

FINANCE REPORT

Trustee Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Burkhardt, to accept the Monthly Statement as presented. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Haas aye; Trustee Blank aye; Trustee Hennessy aye; Trustee Burkhardt aye; Trustee Warning aye.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Warning, to pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$324,994.90. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Haas aye; Trustee Blank aye; Trustee Hennessy aye; Trustee Burkhardt aye; Trustee Warning aye.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Trustees expressed their gratitude to the Lions Club and the MFPD personnel for the pancake breakfast. Trustee Hennessy gave a special thank you to Michael Warning for his dedication and assistance during the Pancake Breakfast.

CALENDAR AND CHECKLIST

The annual audit will be presented by our auditor later in this meeting.

Next month we will review the tax levy ordinance for the upcoming budget year.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT

The code enforcement report and community risk reduction surveys were reviewed by the Board.

DEPUTY CHIEF CAMPBELL'S REPORT

Engine 92 (HME) out of Station 2 was out of service due to a faulty turbo charger. The turbo charger completely came apart while returning from a call. The engine was towed to Chandler Services. The engine has the turbo charger replaced with new hardware. The approximate cost for this repair was \$8,600. The engine is now back in service.

The new Cummins engine for Truck 92 has arrived at Chandler Services and they are in the process of assembling the components onto the new engine. All suspension parts have been ordered, and the corrosion repairs have already begun.

The new ambulance passed the Illinois Department of Public Health's inspection and went into service on September 26th.

Underwriter Laboratories performed the annual inspections and testing on our engine fire pumps. All fire pumps have passed their inspection and testing.

The bunk room project at Station 2 began on October 7th. The approximate completion time will be eight weeks. We have several MFPD members that will be assisting with the completion of this project along with local contractors.

MFPD has applied for two grants to aid in the replacement of our nozzles and fire hoses on all our fire apparatus. The approximate cost to replace all the nozzles and fire hose is \$160,000. MFPD received notice that Assistance to Firefighter Grant has been approved for an award of approximately \$150,000. Additionally, we were informed that the Enbridge Safe Community First Responder Grant has been approved for an award of approximately \$10,000. MFPD will be working with Air One to start the process of replacing all the nozzles and fire hoses.

The Board approved the following Class Requests:

- Adam Meyer Fire Dept. Health & Safety Ofc.
- Dave Porter Fire Dept. Health & Safety Ofc.
- Dave Porter Trench Rescue Tech.
- Dave Porter Inspector I
- Dan Reimer Heavy Veh. Rescue
- Dan Reimer Trench Rescue Tech.
- John Swanson Fire Instructor III
- Jake Ruhbeck Rope Ops.

This month's training calendar was reviewed by the trustee members.

FIRE CHIEF CIRELLI'S REPORT

We are excited to report that we have been awarded the Assistance for Firefighters Grant, in the amount of \$150,00. This grant is for the purchase of much needed replacement fire hose, nozzles and appliances. We are additionally awarded a \$10,000 grant from Enbridge Pipelines, also to be used for replacement fire hoses.

From information we've gained during the audit process, we've updated our workflow regarding false alarm invoices. We discovered several delinquent invoices and have sent out past due notices.

The Board of Fire Commissioners posted the final eligibility list; there are five candidates on the final list. The first candidate has been contacted and is continuing through the background examination.

Chief Cirelli has had several conversations with Chief Doyle, from Homer Fire, regarding our IGA / border agreement that is expiring in 2026. Chief Doyle has mentioned to his board the possibility of renewing the agreement in 2026, but without the requirement of a \$10,000 payment for the automatic response.

After much research, it has been determined that Tinley Park Fire Department is responsible for responding to incidents on Interstate 80 east of Route 45. Will County ETSB, the County Clerk, and our attorney all agree that MFPD is not responsible for responding to this area. As such, effective January 1st, we will no longer respond to Interstate 80 east of Route 45. We will still assist Tinley Park when requested. We are only responsible for responding to Interstate 80 west of Route 45, where we respond jointly with New Lenox.

The Pancake Breakfast was held on October 5th in conjunction with the Mokena Lions Club. Chief Cirelli thanks the crew, and especially D/C Campbell, for their assistance in the preparation and execution of the event.

CONSENT AGENDA

None

MONTHLY INCIDENT REPORTS

The Trustees reviewed the monthly alarm reports for September.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

APPROVAL OF 2025 FISCAL YEAR IN REVIEW

Trustee Burkhardt made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hennessy, to approve the 2025 Fiscal Year in Review as presented. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Haas aye; Trustee Blank aye; Trustee Hennessy aye; Trustee Burkhardt aye; Trustee Warning aye.

APPROVAL OF HEALTH AND DENTAL INSURANCE RENEWAL

The health insurance increased by 9% and the dental by 7%. Other districts are reporting increases in their Blue Cross Blue Shield policy between 24% and 40%.

Trustee Warning made a motion, seconded by Trustee Burkhardt, to approve the renewal of the annual medical/dental healthcare premium. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Haas aye; Trustee Blank aye; Trustee Hennessy aye; Trustee Burkhardt aye; Trustee Warning aye.

APPROVAL OF FYE25 AUDIT

John Williams from Hearne & Associates presented and reviewed the annual audit report.

Trustee Burkhardt made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hennessy to approve the FYE 2025 Annual Audit as presented. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Haas aye; Trustee Blank aye; Trustee Hennessy aye; Trustee Burkhardt aye; Trustee Warning aye.

APPROVAL OF FYE25 TREASURER'S STATEMENT

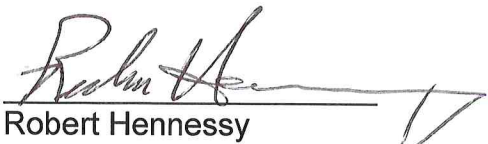
Trustee Warning made a motion, seconded by Trustee Burkhardt, to approve the FYE25 Treasurer's Statement as presented. Motion passed with a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Haas aye; Trustee Blank aye; Trustee Hennessy aye; Trustee Burkhardt aye; Trustee Warning aye.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM after a motion by Trustee Hennessy.



Robert Hennessy
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Recording Secretary: Rebecca Duffy