



Mokena Fire Protection District

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MOKENA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT'S

TRUSTEE MEETING

April 14, 2026

The regular meeting of the Mokena Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at Mokena Fire Station 1 at 7:00 PM.

Administrative Offices

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Fire Station #1

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Mokena, IL 60448
(708) 479-3781

Fire Station #2

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Mokena, IL 60448
(708) 479-3782

Fire Station #3

10855 W. 183rd Street
Orland Park, IL 60467
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www.mokenafire.org

Established 1883
Organized 1917

Trustees Roll Call:

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

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chief Joe Cirelli, Deputy Chief Rick Campbell, and Recording Secretary Susan Turner.

The meeting was called to order at 6:57 p.m. with a quorum present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING, CORRECTIONS, APPROVAL

Trustee Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Warning, to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2026, Trustee Meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

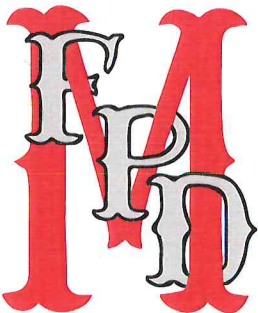
UNION REPORT

None

FINANCE REPORT

Trustee Burkhardt made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hennessy, to accept the Monthly Statement as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS



Trustee Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Blank, to pay the monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$430,073.10. Motion passed with all ayes.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Trustee Haas would like to extend his condolences to Trustee Blank on the passing of his father.

Trustee Warning would like to extend his condolences to Trustee Blank on the passing of his father.

Trustee Haas would like to inform everyone about the passing of Roger L. Peacock Sr.

CALENDAR AND CHECKLIST

Economic Interest Statements have been filed.

The review of the chief's and deputy chief's performance is an agenda item later tonight.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT

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

DEPUTY CHIEF CAMPBELL'S REPORT

Fleet Management:

Chandler Services has completed the mechanical update and corrosion repairs on the lift/elevation cylinders. As part of this work, several major components were replaced to increase the life expectancy of this truck. Key replacements include:

- Cummins long block engine and a new engine.
- Allison Transmission.
- Complete replacement of the front suspension
- Radiator, turbocharger, and charge air cooler

MFPD completed a review meeting with Pierce, finalizing all drawings and specifications for the 2026 Pierce Enforcer. The apparatus is currently scheduled for delivery in November 2026.

Station 1 ambulance bay door opener completely failed and needed to be replaced. Murray Overhead Doors installed a new bay door opener and added red/green LED safety indicator lights. These lights will help prevent damage to both the bay door and the apparatus during operation.

MFPD has renewed its annual service contract with McCloud Aquatics. This service contract covers the maintenance and weed control for the pond at Station 3.

MFPD has received the new fire hose and nozzles from Air One. This equipment will replace all of our aging hose and nozzles. MFPD has been approved for an award through Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) program and with Enbridge Community First Responder Grant.

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

FIRE CHIEF CIRELLI'S REPORT

Chief Cirelli presented the draft budget at the meeting.

We have one Engineer out on a duty-related injury.

As discussed at the last meeting, our full-time eligibility list has been exhausted, and our previous testing vendor has transitioned to a new subscription-based model. Unfortunately, their model has increased our costs by over 300%. The Fire Commission has authorized the National Testing Network for a three-year subscription.

The annual performance review of the Fire Chief and Deputy Chief is an agenda item for the meeting.

The salary schedule for the non-sworn personnel will be an agenda item for the May meeting.

As you will notice in the budget, we are proposing the purchase of a storage shed for station #1. The shed will be used to house the public education / event items (pancake breakfast items, tables, chairs, etc) along with seasonal items.

MONTHLY INCIDENT REPORTS

The Trustees reviewed the monthly alarm reports for March.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

Evaluation of Fire Chief and Deputy Chief

The board reviewed the annual performances of the Fire Chief and Deputy Chief. The consensus of the board is that the Fire Chief and Deputy Chief are performing at a high caliber and make a good administrative team. The board appreciated their hard work and dedication to the stakeholders. There were no concerns or recommendations for improvement.

Approval of contract extension – Fire Chief

Trustee Blank made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hennessy, to approve the extension of the Fire Chief's contract 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 contract extension – Deputy Chief

Trustee Hennessy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Warning, to approve the Deputy Chief's contract 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 cement pad for future shed – Station 1

A discussion ensued on the benefits of a storage shed vs building a garage. The board members would like to compare the costs between a shed and garage, with a garage likely being more beneficial due to the storage constraints. The Chief and Deputy Chief will bring more information at the May meeting.

No motion was made, to approve the cement pad for future shed. Trustee Haas would like a comparison of the total amount of the shed cost and the total amount of the garage cost.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM after a motion by Robert Hennessy.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Robert Hennessy', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Robert Hennessy
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Recording Secretary: Susan Turner