

**GLENSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 11, 2026
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 4:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Kosiara called to order the regular meeting for Glenside Fire Protection District Board of Trustees at 4:30 P.M.

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

The pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited.

III. ROLL CALL:

Present were Trustee Kosiara and Trustee Johnston, Trustee Foss was absent. Trustee Kosiara requested that the meeting minutes reflect that Chief Cassady, DC Buccola, Executive Admin Haiden and BC Zahara were also in attendance. Bradley O'Sullivan attended the meeting for Controller James Howard.

IV. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS TRUSTEES MEETINGS

The regular meeting minutes for the Board of Trustees meeting held on July 14, 2026 were presented for review and acceptance.

Trustee Kosiara motioned to accept, approve and file the regular meeting minutes of July 14, 2026 as presented. The motion was second by Trustee Johnston. Trustee Kosiara asked the record to reflect that there was unanimous approval of the motion with all members in attendance voting.

V. FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. Controller's Report

Mr. O'Sullivan reviewed the month's fiscal year ending July 2026 with the start of the fiscal year of 2026-2027. He summarized the revenues and noted that interest rates are an improvement compared with last year. Our major revenue stream of ambulance income is outperforming our budgeted expectations so far this year. The operating expenses for the District and highlighted areas of the Districts' expenses were reviewed. He then provided a review of investments of all accounts to wrap his report up.

There were no questions or concerns.

Trustee Kosiara motioned to accept and file the Controllers Report as presented and pay all accounts payables and payroll as presented for July in the amount of \$548,459.93. The motion was second by Trustee Johnston.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Kosiara – aye

Trustee Johnston – aye

Trustee Foss – absent

Motion carried.

B. Annual Audit April 30, 2026

The fiscal year required annual audit for the period of May 1, 2025 through April 30, 2026 with our auditing firm of Sikich LLP is in the final fieldwork stages of completion. We held an exit conference call today to go over the remaining items that are due to complete the audit. The remaining items are waiting for the State of Illinois and Illinois Department of Insurance for the Glenside Fire Pension Fund. We anticipate the final audit to be presented to the Board of Trustees at the October meeting.

C. Other Items from the Controller

There were no other items from the Controller.

VI. LEGAL ISSUES

A. Attorney Report

Chief Cassady reported that there is a pending litigation item that will be discussed in closed session.

B. Other items from the Attorney

There were no other items.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Fire Commissioners

Chief Cassady reported that the Board of Commissioners will meet next week on August 20th to approve the preliminary list for Lieutenant promotion list that contains three candidates.

B. Foreign Fire Insurance Board

Chief Cassady noted that the board canceled their August meeting this week. The next meeting is scheduled for November. The board treasurer received an invoice for the electricity work on the new ultra sonic cleaner.

C. DuComm Report

There was no DuComm Chiefs meeting today and there was nothing significant to report.

Trustee Kosiara asked about the Executive Committee and if the District had an alternate option since he was unable to make next week's meeting.

D. Other Announcements

Chief Cassady noted that upcoming events include:

- The Glendale Hights Charity Golf Classic on August 26th
- The Pelletier wedding will be at the station on August 29th
- September 11th is Patriot Day and the District will participate as usual in the Village's event.
- September 22nd through the 27th is the President's Cup Golf Tournament
- October 7th is the Health and Safety Fair
- October 23rd is scheduled for the Districts service awards, held every two years and recognizing employees with increments of five years of service

Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Meeting, held once a year by the Village of Glendale Heights, was attended by Chief Cassady. There are currently no new TIF's to report on. There will be one expiring in 2026 and a larger one in 2028.

There was discussion on the recent storms in the area and the hail damage incurred to three of our staff vehicles, coincidentally all Ford Expeditions. Insurance company will be assessing the vehicles for a claim. The new roof and training house roof was brought up in discussion to also have evaluated.

The District is in the process of hiring five new part-time firefighters to replenish the ranks due to leave of absences for promotion and those attending paramedic school.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Apparatus and Facilities

DC Buccola provided updates on all apparatus, noting there have been a few issues with vehicles the past couple of weeks. The charging unit on the older Ford ambulance went out for repair.

DC Buccola gave an update on the new tender stating that it will be ready for final inspection on Monday, August 17th. A group will go to complete the inspection. The ice maker on the apparatus floor is no longer working and will need to be replaced with a new one.

DC Buccola reported on facilities noting that the air conditioning unit has been repaired.

B. Living Quarters Kitchen Repair/Remodel

Chief Cassady noted that AHAL Construction was chosen for the work to be completed upstairs in the living quarters kitchen area. AHAL Construction is ordering samples of countertops for our review. Remodel and repair work is scheduled to start the middle of September.

- C. Other Old Business
Chief Cassady noted there was none.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Range Purchase

Chief Cassady provided a quote from ABT for a Wolf range oven. There was discussion regarding replacing the current range in the living quarters kitchen.

Trustee Kosiara motioned to approve the purchase from ABT for a Wolf 48" range, with discount and without tax not to exceed the amount of \$13,000.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Kosiara – aye

Trustee Johnston – aye

Trustee Foss – absent

Motion carried.

B. Other New Business

There was no other new business.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Chief noted that an insurance renewal meeting had been held. The insurance covered property, crime, vehicles, etc. Insurance premiums rose fifteen percent overall for the package.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Kosiara motioned to recess the regular meeting to go into closed session pursuant to Section (2)(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act (to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body); Section (2)(c)(2) of the Act (to discuss collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees); and/or Section (2)(c)(8) of the Act (pending, probable or imminent litigation) at 5:12 P.M. The motion was second by Trustee Johnston.

XII. RETURN TO RECESSED MEETING

Trustee Kosiara motioned to return from closed session at 5:45 P.M. The motion was second by Trustee Johnston. Trustee Kosiara asked the record to reflect that there was unanimous approval of the motion with all members in attendance voting.

No action taken in closed session.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting of September 8, 2026 will take place at the regular time of 4:30 PM at 1608 Bloomingdale Road, Glendale Heights, Illinois.

Trustee Kosiara motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 P.M. The motion was second by Trustee Johnston. Trustee Kosiara asked the record to reflect there was unanimous approval of the motion with all members in attendance voting.

Respectfully Submitted By:



Robert Johnston, Secretary Pro Tem

APPROVED THIS 11TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2026



Nicholas Kosiara, President

