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Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting of the Fox River & Countryside Fire Rescue District

Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 6:00 PM

1. Call to Order

President Nick Manheim called the Fox River & Countryside Fire Rescue District Monthly Meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

A. Roll Call

Present: Trustees Gaffney, Manheim, McManus, Seiffert (4)

Absent: Trustee Kennedy (1)

Also present: Fire Chief Michael Hill, Deputy Chief Jim Niesel, Attorney John Motylinski, Accountant James Howard, Administrative Coordinator Tracy Dunklau, and residents.

B. President Manheim led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Comment

President Manheim invited public comments. There were no comments from the community.

3. Reports

A. Financial Report

Accountant James Howard provided a financial analysis and revenue highlights for the month ending April 30, 2026.

B. Chief's Report

Fire Chief Michael Hill presented the April district highlights, including:

- Deputy Chief Niesel attended the Chiefs' Symposium in Peoria
- Chief Hill participated in mock interviews for BOF students at ECC and attended the MABAS Div 2 Chiefs' Meeting and Kane County Chiefs' meetings.
- He also reported that he and Battalion Chief Almeida attended the U-46 Police and Fire Safety Task Force meeting.
- The District provided lunch for the dispatchers during National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week
- CPR Training for all personnel has been completed.
- All ladder testing has been completed.

C. Attorney's Report

Attorney Motylinski reported that he continues to monitor two bills in the General Assembly; however, there are no new developments in bills that would impact the District at this time.

D. President's Report

No report.

4. Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Trustee Gaffney and seconded by Trustee Seiffert to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Items Approved:

A. Minutes of the April 14, 2026 Monthly Board Meeting - Open Session

B. Monthly Invoices

Roll Call Vote:

Yea: Trustees Gaffney, Manheim, McManus, Seiffert (4)

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

5. Action Items:

None.

6. Old Business

A motion was made by Trustee Gaffney and seconded by Trustee Seiffert to approve the Board of Trustees Policy Manual. Attorney Motylinski and the Trustees discussed minor revisions to the previously presented manual.

Yea: Trustees Gaffney, Manheim, McManus, Seiffert (4)

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

7. New Business

A. Trustee Gaffney requested Chief Hill replace the weekly report with a text message or email to the Trustees regarding important District incidents and news as they develop.

8. Adjournment

With no further business brought before the Board, President Manheim adjourned the meeting at 6:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

TJ Seiffert, Secretary