

**Anchorage Middletown Fire & EMS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES/ AMFEMS Station 40
August 18, 2026
Minutes**

I. Opening

Acting Chairperson Linda Oliver called the meeting of the Board to order at 3:06 pm at AMFEMS Station 40. Trustees present were Grant Hart, Jason Karrer, Linda Oliver, Andrea Oser and Mike Arth. Also present were Chief Pat Walsh, Deputy Chiefs Kevin Fletcher, other AMFEMS members and visitors, and Bryan Dillon, general counsel to the Board. Chairman Jim Yates and Trustee Jason Smith were absent.

II. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Jason Karrer, second by Grant Hart, to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2026 special meeting and of the July 21, 2026 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Financial Reports

Financial Report ending July 31, 2026

Chief Walsh reviewed the financial reports for the period ending July 31, 2026, and entertained questions. Motion by Mike Arth, second by Grant Hart, to approve the financial report. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Surplus Equipment

There was no surplus equipment.

V. Expenditure Requests

Chief Walsh presented the request to purchase a 2026 E-one Pumper for October delivery, in the amount of \$832,000. Discussion followed. Motion made by Jason Karrer and seconded by Mike Arth to approve the purchase of the 2026 E-one pumper, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Walsh presented the request to purchase (2) new F-250's for Safety for fleet replacement, in the amount of \$134,000. Discussion followed. Motion made by Grant Hart and seconded by Andrea Oser to approve the purchase of the (2) F-250's, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Chief's Report – Chief Walsh

Chief's Updates – Received reimbursement from UPS plane crash in amount of \$130,000. Congressman Morgan McGarvey visited Station 31; spoke with him regarding concerns with grants. Brief update on the potential new administration and training building we are currently under contract for, related to due diligence period. Deadline is in October and close by November 2nd. Chief Fletcher is currently working to determine cost estimates for any equipment needed and modifications needed prior to move in.

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VII. Old Business

- a. **Food Truck Re-Inspection Fee Suspension.** Motion made by Jason Karrer and seconded by Mike Arth to indefinitely suspend the re-inspection fee for food trucks. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. **Cost Recovery Proposal and Resolution (Tabled April 21, 2026).** Discussion followed. Motion made by Jason Karrer and seconded by Grant Hart to table until the September meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. New Business

- a. **Set tax rate for Jefferson and Oldham Counties.** Motion made by Mike Arth and seconded by Grant Hart to approve setting the tax rate at 17.5 cents per \$100, for both personal and real property. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. **Resolution of the Board for financing for Station 36.** Will be discussed during executive session.
- c. **Training report follow-up and recommendations.** Lt Colonel Sutt presented the information from the investigation report. No action taken.
- d. **Policy Approvals - POL-HR-2304, POL-HR-2305 and POL-HR-2306.** Motion made by Mike Arth and seconded by Andrea Oser to approve all three policies, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. **Job Description Approval – EMS Training and QA/QI Specialist.** Discussion followed. No action taken.

IX. Open Forum

Question about F-150 versus F-250 related to cost.

X. Executive Session

Motion by Jason Karrer, second by Mike Arth, to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1)(f), pending litigation pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c), and real estate matters pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b). Motion carried unanimously. The board went into Executive Session at 3:50 pm.

The Board returned from Executive session at 7:40pm. Linda Oliver, as acting Chair, appointed Grant Hart as acting Secretary.

Motion made by Jason Karrer and seconded by Mike Arth to approve the financing resolution for Station 36. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Grant Hart and seconded by Mike Arth to approve the contract for Station 36 with the GMP of \$10,073,358, as presented by Attorney Bryan Dillon. Motion carried unanimously.

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XI. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Andrea Oser and second by Grant Hart to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Linda Oliver", is written over a horizontal line.

Minutes Approved by Linda Oliver, Secretary

*Supporting documents are available by request through the Fire Protection District.