

**PALOS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
October 21, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER: The October 21, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Kevin McCurrie at the Palos Fire Protection District, Station 1, 8815 W. 123rd Street, Palos Park, Illinois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Kevin McCurrie led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: On the call of the roll, Trustees Kevin McCurrie, Gene Adams, Richard Nogal, Todd Thielmann, and Ed Verdino responded as present.

OTHER PRESENT: Fire Chief Christopher Courtney, Deputy Chief Gabriele, Attorney Thomas Courtney, Recording Secretary Dana Fischl, and fire station personnel, along with their families, are also in attendance. Bradley O'Sullivan from Governmental Accounting, Inc., is also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee McCurrie requested a motion to approve September 24, 2025, open session minutes as written. Trustee Verdino made the motion, to which Trustee Adams seconded. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

TREASURER REPORT: Bradley O'Sullivan presented the Treasurer's Report and did an excellent job of explaining the District's Financial Analysis for the 5 months ending September 30, 2025, and the Summary of Revenue and Expenditures.

Revenue Highlights convey that we are 42% of the budget year and 5.3% of the total budget.

- Collected \$0 or 0% of the budget (No Major Installment(s) from Cook County).
- Collected \$292,793 or 25.7% of the budget in Ambulance Fees.
- Collected \$12,165 or 30.4% of the budget in Personal Property Replacement Taxes.
- Collected \$152,791 in interest, or 92.6% of the budget.
- Collected \$17,180 or 68.7% of the budget in Fire Recovery

Expenditure Highlights convey that we are at 39.0% of the total budget (excluding transfers).

- Operating expenditure is \$3,240,887 or 36.8% of the budget.
- We have made 6 of 12 Health Insurance Payments.
- Paid Personnel is \$2,275,416 or 41.9 % of the budget.
- Debt Service & Capital Expenditures: \$119,123 or 27.4% of the budget.
 - St 2 Roof and Skylights = \$91,400
 - Station Alerting Installation = \$23,145

President McCurrie stated that the district had \$533,624.69 in payroll and \$152,306.39 in accounts payable. President McCurrie asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Trustee Nogal made that motion, and Trustee Verdino seconded. The motion was carried by a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY: NONE

CHIEF REPORT:

- Staffing is almost back to required levels; 2 firefighters have been processed and hired. We currently have one firefighter finishing the pre-employment exams with a potential start date of November 1.
- The district's GL and workers' Compensation is up for renewal. As expected, the increase is significant. ICRMT, the current carrier, came back with a 200k increase. IPRF came back at 120k. We will move forward with IPRF for the next calendar year.
- The new Blue Cross Blue Shield policy through the IAFF will take over for our current policy on December 1, 2025.
- The Teason house closed without any issues.
- Cook County has given no updates as to when we may expect tax money.

A brief discussion ensued.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Adopt Ordinance 2025-05

Tabled until next meeting.

b. Tax Levy Determination

Bradley O'Sullivan went through the 2025 Proposed Tax Levy Presentation.

A brief discussion ensued.

Determination will be made at next month's meeting to pass a Levy Ordinance at 3.59% at the recommendation of Accountant, James Howard, and Bradley O'Sullivan.

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c. Review and Accept Financial Audit FY2025

Trustee McCurrie asked for a motion to approve the Financial Audit Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Trustee Nogal made that motion, and Trustee Thielmann seconded. On a roll call vote, that motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to be brought before the Board, President McCurrie asked for a motion to adjourn the open session at 7:54 pm. Trustee Thielmann made that motion, and Trustee Adams seconded. On a roll call vote, that motion passed.

The next regular meeting of the Palos Fire Protection Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, November 18th, at 7:00 p.m.

 
 
