

NAFRS JOINT POWERS BOARD MEETING MINUTES - Approved
Thurs., May 21, 2026, at 8:00am
NAFRS Training Room

Voting Members:	Present	Absent
Alderks, Larry	X	
Lawson, Jodi	X	
Malecha, Arlen		X
Ness, Brad	X	
Peterson, Brian	X	
Robinson, Andrea		X
Stowe, Mike	X	
Switzer, Glenn	X	
Ex-officio Members:	Present	Absent
Edwards, Brian	X	
Schroepfer, Jeff	X	
Odette, Dean	X	
Martig, Ben		X
Nelson, Tom	X	
Teppen, Jenelle	X	

1. Call to order & roll call

2. Approval of Agenda

Motioned: Ness; seconded by Lawson. No discussion; all in favor.

Switzer arrived.

3. Consent Agenda¹

- a. Approved Minutes of 04/16/26
- b. LMCIT Annual Liability Coverage Waiver – “Do not waive”
- c. Monthly Financials – April, Abdo Financial Solutions - (from Finance)
- d. Equipment Policy Resolution 2021-08, sunset
- e. FY 2027 Operational and Capital Final Budget (from Finance)

Motioned: Ness; seconded by Lawson. No discussion; all in favor.

4. Committee Reports/Updates – May meetings

- a. Capital Equipment
Simonson reported on a light meeting for May; talked about Equipment Policy, and repairs that typically go to Sutphen, will go to Custom Fire before 2027/2028.

¹ CONSENT AGENDA The proposed consent agenda is included in the JPB packet. The purpose of a consent agenda is to allow for routine motions, resolutions, and ordinances, or those previously discussed with consensus made, to be passed with one motion. These are still important and necessary considerations. The full background memo and materials are publicly available upon request. If a board member wants to discuss an item, the request it to be made by advance notice by noon on the Wednesday immediately prior to the meeting date to the Chair and/or Fire Chief, or without said prior notice, during the approval of the agenda.

- b. Personnel – No quorum for May Meeting, Teppen
- c. Finance – Ness

5. Chief's Report

Chief Nelson turned the meeting over to Simonson to share details of yesterday's call (5/20) for the fuel tanker spill at Hwy. 3 S. in Dundas, followed by Faust reporting as well. Simonson was first on scene who sized things up and began fuel leak control procedures, with Faust continuing to take the lead on next steps with contacts, requesting absorbents, etc.

Faust: working on arranging a ropes class, as well as a possible house-burn for training in Greenvale Twp.

See Chief' Report for full list of items reported on.

Teppen shared that there is now a preliminary plat approval for the NW corner of Hwy. 3 and CR 1, which is proposed to go from one large parcel to five parcels. Johnson Reiland will demolish their current building, and a new permanent structure is to go closer to the existing Dundas Dome.

Simonson updated members that the new radios have arrived and will be programmed and delivered to firefighters at the first meeting in June.

6. Regular Agenda

a. Capital Equipment Plan 2027-2036: (from CEC & Finance)

Simonson presented the ten-year plan that was discussed at the May Finance Committee Meeting and recommended being brought to today's Board Meeting.

This has been seen and approved by the NAFRS JP Board.

Motioned: Peterson; seconded by Stowe. No discussion; all in favor.

7. JPA 2.0 project – Alderks
Update in July.

8. Financial Policy project – Alderks
To be reviewed following the JPA 2.0 Project.

9. Future Agenda Item: - Simonson

- a. Northfield Fire Relief Assn – Benefit increase and bylaw amendment approval from \$15,000/year-of-service to \$20,000/year of service. June JPB Meeting then to NAFRS parties for approval respectively by 7/31/2026. Deadline to OSA is 8/1/2026

Simonson shared that the Relief Assn. is in the process of its audit. This topic should return to the agenda in July for approval. Approval will be needed from each party and is to be turned in by 8/1/26.

Adjourned at 8:50am. Peterson, Lawson