

**Mundelein Foreign Fire Tax Board Meeting  
Minutes**

**November 17, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

- Correction to the agenda: Two positions were up for election for the Foreign Fire tax board, to be determined by the board once elected.
- Safety sunglasses, after fire soap, and station TV's were presented as unfinished business, as these items were discussed in previous meetings.

**ATTENDANCE**

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

Bill Lark, Angel Gonzaga, Joel Kuester, Greg Kornfeind, Kurt Rodewald

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Patrick Collins, Mike Akers, Jeremy Lockwood, Jake Ellegood, Damien Iskra, Marcin Bednarski, Brad Sashko, Jackie Stone, Steve D'Incognito, Kyle Bittner, Kyle Mule, Fred Meek, Shawn LaMar, Dan Burhmester

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

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Motion to approve minutes for August 18th meeting made by Gonzaga, seconded by Kuester. Motion Approved.

**REPORTS**

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Motion to approve the treasurer's report from August 18th to November 16th, 2025, made by Kuester, seconded by Gonzaga. Motion approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Station hats pending approval of a new design. No other updates were given.
- Engine mudflaps for 4311 pending installations from public works.
- No updates for Thermal Imaging Cameras were presented.
- Motion was made to approve two bay tables and stickers for the amount of \$8,000. Vote went to all present and passed, with one vote of opposition.

- No motion was made for safety sunglasses. The item to be removed from the agenda
- Motion was made to approve \$4,500 for two TV's, a sound bar and mounting brackets. Motion was made by Gonzaga, second by Rodewald. Motion passed.
- Motion was made to approve \$2,000 for After Fire Soap bath dispensers. Motion made by Kornfeind, second by Gonzaga. Motion passed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Presentation was made to all present in regard to a new training facility to be built in Mundelein for the purpose of hosting live fire training. Motion was made to approve \$100,000 for the startup cost. Motion was made by Gonzaga, second by Rodewald. The vote went to all present and passed unanimously.
- FDIC motion tabled for the next meeting to verify further research into by-laws.
- Hand tools tabled for the next meeting, pending funding from the FD budget.
- Thermal Imaging Camera tabled, pending funding from the FD budget.
- Motion was made to approve \$370.82 for reimbursement for FF Sinclair's purchases for the employee picnic. Motion made by Lark, second by Gonzaga. Motion passed.
- Motion was made to amend the Member allowance plan and substitute it for the Café fund, allowing \$300 per member to use for purchases. Motion went to all present and passed unanimously.
- Forceable door prop tabled, pending funding for the new training tower.
- Motion was made to approve \$6,000 for patio furniture set for station 2 made by Rodewald, second by Gonzaga. The vote went to all present and passed unanimously.
- Motion was made to approve \$5,500 for the Rogan's Shoe account. Motion made by Rodewald, second by Gonzaga. The vote went to all present and passed unanimously.
- Motion was made to approve \$1,100 for an EV plug to be placed in the engine. Motion made by Kuester, second by Gonzaga. Motion passed.
- Motion was made to purchase two Storm Sticks for \$4,950. Motion went to a vote at the board level and at 3-2, the motion did not pass.
- Motion was made to purchase a Top Box for Engine 4311. Motion was tabled pending approval from the fire chief. Another motion was made for \$500 for a backup camera for 4311. Motion was made by Kuester, second by Gonzaga. That motion passed.
- Hose appliances tabled, pending funding from the budget.
- Motion was made to approve \$1500 for mounting brackets for the electric extrication tools. Motion was made by Kuester, second by Kornfeind. Motion passed.

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Iskra, Kuester and Collins submitted their names for election. In a vote of 15-14-5, the present membership elected Kuester and Collins onto the board.

The board then elected the membership as follows: Chief at Large: Lark, Chairman: Rodewald, Vice Chairman: Gonzaga, Secretary: Collins, Treasurer: Brimmer, At Large: Kuester & Kornfeind.

### **NEXT MEETING - Dates to be determined for 2026**

Next Meeting on February 16, 2026.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** to Adjourn the Foreign Fire Tax Board meeting.

Foreign Fire Tax Board Meeting adjourned at 10:56 A.M.