

**Elwood Fire Protection District
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 16, 2025**

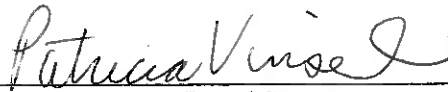
1. Pledge of Allegiance: The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Bertucci at 9:00 a.m. at 309 W. Mississippi Street, Elwood, IL 60421.
3. Roll Call:
Present: President Allan Bertucci, Treasurer Colleen Prieboy, and Secretary Patricia Vinsel.
Also Present: Fire Chief Christopher Locacius, Deputy Chief Jasen Melahn, Captain Brandon Pfizenmaier, Lieutenant Nick George, PM Cameron Chellino, Executive Assistant Jill Deaville, and Attorney John Motylinski. James Howard with Government Accounting attended via Zoom.
4. Public Comment (Limit 3 minutes): None
5. Approval of December 19, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Prieboy and seconded by Vinsel to approve the minutes as written. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.
6. 6- month Review of Closed Session Minutes: A motion was made by Bertucci and seconded by to keep all minutes closed except the 6/20/2024 closed session minutes. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried. A motion was made by Vinsel and seconded by Bertucci to destroy the recording from the 5/18/2023 closed meeting minutes. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.
7. Financial Report by Government Accounting, Approval of Bills: The Financial Report was presented by Howard of Government Accounting. A motion was made by Bertucci and seconded by Prieboy to approve the Financial Report. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried. Approval of Bills: A motion was made by Vinsel and seconded by Bertucci to approve the Bills. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.
8. Officers & Attorney's Reports: Reports presented by Locacius, Melahn, Pfizenmaier, George, and Motylinski.
9. Old Business: Interviews have begun for the Fire Life & Safety Educator Position.
10. New Business:
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action on the Purchase of a 2025 GMC Sierra 1500: A motion was made by Bertucci and seconded by Vinsel to approve the purchase of a 2025 GMC Sierra not to exceed \$60,000 and to give Locacius authority to execute necessary documentation. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion Carried
 - b. Discussion / Possible Action on the Purchase of 2025 GMC Sierra 3500: A motion was made by Bertucci and seconded by Vinsel to approve the purchase of a 2025 GMC Sierra 3500 not to exceed \$60,000 and to give Locacius authority to execute necessary documentation. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion Carried.
 - c. Discussion / Possible Action on Illinois Fire Chiefs Association, FDIC International, and Illinois Fire Inspectors (conferences): A motion was made by Bertucci and seconded by Vinsel to approve the following conferences: Illinois Fire Chiefs, FDIC International, and Illinois Fire Inspectors. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

- d. Discussion / Possible Action on the Purchase of Fire Fighting Form: A motion was made by Prieboy and seconded by Vinsel to approve the purchase of Williams WNF33A Thunderstorm 3x3 Synthetic Fluorine Free Foam Concentrate, 265 gallon tote not to exceed \$15,000. All in favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.
- e. Surplus Equipment: A motion was made by Bertucci and seconded by Vinsel to surplus 2000 Ford F350 and 2000 8' Pro Western snowplow and to give Locacius authority to sell the surplus equipment. All in Favor: Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.
- f. Review Correspondence: Thank you letter from the Elwood PD.
- g. Other New Business: The Board welcomed Paramedic Cameron Chellino.

11. Closed Session: None

12. Adjournment: A motion was made by Bertucci and seconded by Vinsel to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 a.m. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted



Board Secretary