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Board of Trustee Regular Meeting Minutes

On the 11th day of September 2025, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Channahon Fire Protection District held at fire station #1 was called to order at 8:00 a.m., pursuant to notice, at the Fire Station #1, 24929 S. Center St., Channahon, Illinois with the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were President Rittof, Secretary McMillin, Trustee Caldwell, and Trustee Gregory. Chief Petrakis, Deputy Chief McMillin, and Executive Fire Support Manager Arnold.

President Rittof swore in Andrew Fitzgerald as our newest trustee.

MATTER OF THE PUBLIC: None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Secretary McMillin made a motion to approve August 14, 2025, regularly scheduled meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Gregory. All were in favor and the motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT

The Treasurer's report ending August 2025 along with the disbursement record for August 2025 were presented, showing disbursements by check number, date, payee, and amount. Trustee Caldwell made a motion to accept the reports as presented, seconded by Trustee Gregeory. A roll call vote: President Rittof – Yes; Secretary McMillin – Yes; Trustee Caldwell – Yes; Trustee Gregory – Yes; and Trustee Fitzgerald. Motion carried.

The outstanding bills to be paid were presented. The Trustees reviewed the bills. A discussion was held on the outstanding bills; there were four invoices that were submitted late for approval. Trustee Caldwell made a motion to accept the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Gregory. A roll call vote: President Rittof – Yes; Secretary McMillin – Yes; Trustee Caldwell – Yes; Trustee Gregory, and Trustee Fitzgerald - Yes. Motion carried.

Money Collected

\$30,661.99 - Ambulance Billing (\$562,867.21 for 2025); \$245.00 - CPR Classes; \$6,000.00 - Impact Fees; \$8,836.98 - Interest; \$3636.25 - Reimbursement; \$198,350.69 - Will County.

Communications

1. Village of Channahon – Impact Fees: Secretary McMillin asked were that money went. It goes into the general fund then is transferred out to the Capital Fund for purchases.

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- 2. Minooka Community High School Activity Passes: Give to the membership.
- 3. Lawrence M. Walsh, Jr. State of Illinois House Certificate honoring the Channahon Fire Protection District's 75th Anniversary.
- 4. Thank you from the Channahon Park District for use of the training room while they were under construction.

OLD BUSINESS

New Business

- 1. Discuss and approve the Appointment/Swear In Andrew Fitzgerald Done at the beginning of the meeting.
- 2. **Discuss and reorganize the District Board** A conversation was held, and the following motion was made. Secretary McMillin made a motion for Donald Gregory to be treasurer, seconded by Trustee Caldwell. A roll call vote was taken for the motions: President Rittof Yes; Secretary McMillin Yes; Trustee Caldwell Yes; Trustee Gregory Yes, and Trustee Fitzgerald. Motion carried.

The new Channahon Fire Protection District Board is:

President Michael Rittof Treasurer Donald Gregory Secretary Michael J. McMillin Trustee Casey Caldwell Trustee Andrew Fitzgerald

Treasurer Gregory would like to go to electronic/stamped signatures on checks. Executive Assistant Arnold will check with the attorney and account to make sure that it will be acceptable. Treasurer Gregory will get the information to district he has on electronic signatures.

- 3. Discuss and approve the contract for ambulance billing, fire recovery, and collections with Paramedic Billing Services A discussion was held regarding why we would like to change our ambulance billing service. It was explained to the board that we are being charged the same percentage for ambulance billing, but the percentage will be reduced for fire recovery and collections to the same 4% as ambulance billing. Deputy Chief McMillin had positive things to say about how Paramedic Billing Services handle patients and claims. Treasurer Gregory made a motion to enter a contract with Paramedic Billing Services, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald. A roll call vote: President Rittof Yes; Treasurer Gregory Yes; Secretary McMillin Yes; Trustee Caldwell Yes; and Trustee Fitzgerald Yes. Motion carried.
- 4. **Discuss and approve the opening a new bank account with Busey Bank, Channahon –** A discussion was held on the current bank account with CIBC and the reasons to change or leave as is. Following the discussion the account will remain with CIBC. Executive Assistant Arnold was instructed to get new signature cards.

President Rittof pointed out some of the walls in the hallway need to be painted/cleaned. He would like to see all the paint freshened up around the station. He does not feel it looks acceptable.

WESCOM: Trustee Fitzgerald will replace Deputy Chief McMillin as the backup for the Executive

Board.

LEGAL UPDATE: None **PENSION:** None

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES - (Report attached)

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATOR – (Report attached) Sarah passed her Fire and Life Safety Educator test.

Fire Prevention and Inspection Monthly Report – (Report Attached)

DEPUTY CHIEF REPORT AND VEHICLE/BUILDING MAINTENANCE: (report attached)

• DC McMillin asked the board what they are looking for in his reports. President Rittof requested something simple. A summary with bullet points would be great.

CHIEF REPORT: (report attached)

- Station #1 has a leak in the RTU unit in the administrative areas. PremiStar has been out looking at the job.
- Station #2 had to have some doors worked on due to leaks after the heavy rain. They have been repaired. After the last heavy rain, the top of the doors is still leaking. Hientz will be out to look at that. This is being covered under the warranty.
- Generator project is in progress. There have been timing issues. We are waiting for Cummins to be out on September 19th to go through their startup check list.
- The annual wellness physicals will begin at the end of the month.
- Rigs is the new fire house dog. He is currently going through training and will start comfort dog training when he is old enough. Mutts Gym is doing the training and that is being covered by the FFIB, Rusty Ridge will be covering all medical bills, and 4-Paws is supplying all his food.
- FF/Medic Pierce will be returning to work on the 16th.
- Working on the budget. Will have the tentative budget done in October and will adopt the Budget and Levy in November.
- The negotiations on the union contract will be next year.
- A discussion was held on the old generator. The board would prefer to donate it to someone and have a hold harmless agreement signed.

Secretary McMillin questioned the budget line items that are over. There are thirteen of them.

There being no further or other business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made by Treasurer M. McMillin, seconded by Trustee Gregory, unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Jacque Arnold
Executive Fire Support Manager

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From 08/14/2025 through 09/05/2025 Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment	С	Deposit	Balance
08/14/2025	3571	Air One Equipment	1 201 - 2000 A accounts	146	2.065.00	v		001 604 20
08/14/2025	3572	Air One Equipment, Brian McMillin	1-201 · 2000 Accounts 1-201 · 2000 Accounts	140	3,065.00			981,684.38
08/14/2025	3573				2,456.80			979,227.58
08/14/2025		CDW Government, I	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		6,999.44			972,228.14
	3574	Comcast	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		78.74			972,149.40
08/14/2025	3575	Compass Insurance P	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		100.00			972,049.40
08/14/2025	3576	Constellation Energy	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		2,935.24			969,114.16
08/14/2025	3577	Cummins Sales and	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		39,247.82			929,866.34
08/14/2025	3578	Des Plaines Valley	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		64.05			929,802.29
08/14/2025	3579	Dive Right in Scuba	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		351.74			929,450.55
08/14/2025	3580	Elliott Electric, Inc.	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 27691	935.00	X		928,515.55
08/14/2025	3581	EMS Management &	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		3,595.28	X		924,920.27
08/14/2025	3582	Estech Sysems, Inc.	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 222823	208.12	X		924,712.15
08/14/2025	3583	Feece Oil Co.	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		2,877.23	X		921,834.92
08/14/2025	3584	Gordon Flesch Comp	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	20RICF20	274.62	X		921,560.30
08/14/2025	3585	Harland Clarkd	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	VOID:		X		921,560.30
08/14/2025	3586	Illinois Fire Chief's	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 7305	525.00	X		921,035.30
08/14/2025	3587	Illinois Fire Service	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Aurora Trainin	50.00			920,985.30
08/14/2025	3588	Illinois Healthcare an	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. GEMTFY	90,784.31	X		830,200.99
08/14/2025	3589	Illinois Public Risk F	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 94207	15,523.00	X		814,677.99
08/14/2025	3590	Illinois State Police	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	ILL14676F / C	15.00	X		814,662.99
08/14/2025	3591	Industrial Organizati	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. C63599A	3,694.00	X		810,968.99
08/14/2025	3592	Interstate Battery Sys	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 191520104	118.00	X		810,850.99
08/14/2025	3593	Investigative Support	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		1,170.00	X		809,680.99
08/14/2025	3594	JCM Uniforms, Inc.	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		273.25	X		809,407.74
08/14/2025	3595	Joe Martin & Associ	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 1731	305.49			809,102.25
08/14/2025	3596	LRS, Inc.	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		184.60	X		808,917.65
08/14/2025	3597	MacQueen Emergenc	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		781.22	X		808,136.43
08/14/2025	3598	McCann Industries, I	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 1340.34	1,340.34	X		806,796.09
08/14/2025	3599	Metalmaster/Roofma	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 24889	1,089.00	X		805,707.09
08/14/2025	3600	Mike Hammerstein	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		40.00			805,667.09
08/14/2025	3601	Minooka Grain, Lum	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	76767	51.00	X		805,616.09
08/14/2025	3602	Morris Hospital	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		10,828.00			794,788.09
08/14/2025	3603	Nicor Gas	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		408.75			794,379.34
08/14/2025	3604	Ottosen Dinolfo Has	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 5417	269.50			794,109.84
08/14/2025	3605	PremiStar - North	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		1,887.00	7.		792,222.84
08/14/2025	3606	Promos 911, Inc.	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		587.50	Y		792,222.84
08/14/2025	3607	ŕ						,
		Quad County Fire Eq	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		325.00			791,310.34
08/14/2025	3608	Safe Sitter, Inc.	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		53.00			791,257.34
08/14/2025	3609	Shaughnessy & Asso	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		250.00			791,007.34
08/14/2025	3610	Sievert Electric Servi	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	Inv. 10012783	998.00	X		790,009.34

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08/14/2025	3611	Staples 2022	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		244.52	X		789,764.82
08/14/2025	3612	Stryker Sales Corp	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		1,120.30			788,644.52
08/14/2025	3613	The Village of Chan	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		169.33			788,475.19
08/14/2025	3614	U.S. Bank	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		4,930.25			783,544.94
08/14/2025	3615	US Gas	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		379.24			783,165.70
08/14/2025	3616	Verizon Wireless	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	8159220120001	451.86			782,713.84
08/14/2025	3617	Village of Romeovill	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		600.00			782,113.84
08/14/2025	3618	Wescom	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		8,711.76			773,402.08
08/14/2025	3619	Whitmore Ace Hard	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		541.85			772,860.23
08/15/2025			401-05 · CPR Classes \$	Deposit		X	210.00	773,070.23
08/15/2025	498130316	Verizon Wireless	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	*	80.00	X		772,990.23
08/15/2025	3848493	Blue Cross and Blue	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		41,836.75	X		731,153.48
08/18/2025			-split-	Deposit	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	X	2,826.19	733,979.67
08/18/2025			401-01 · Ambulance Bi	•		X	950.53	734,930.20
08/19/2025			401-01 · Ambulance Bi	Deposit		X	2,126.24	737,056.44
08/21/2025			401-01 · Ambulance Bi	-		X	514.88	737,571.32
08/21/2025			-split-	Deposit		X	198,350.69	935,922.01
08/21/2025		QuickBooks Payroll	064-6 · Amb General/	Created by Pay	75,120.03	X	,	860,801.98
08/22/2025			401-08 · Impact Fee \$	Deposit		X	6,000.00	866,801.98
08/22/2025	168	Standard Insurance C	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	00 162517	268.40	X		866,533.58
08/22/2025	3620	Channahon Prof. Fire	2100 · Payroll Liabilities		1,400.00	X		865,133.58
08/22/2025	3621	Channahon FPD Fire	2100 · Payroll Liabilities		15,198.88	X		849,934.70
08/22/2025	045588	Transamerica	11.11 chief's pen. & d	VB98198 00001	182.03	X		849,752.67
08/22/2025	164047	AFLAC	-split-	HX998	362.14	X		849,390.53
08/22/2025	245567	Transamerica	-split-	PE61743-0000	4,813.05	X		844,577.48
08/22/2025	178515987	Standard Insurance C	1-201 · 2000 Accounts	00 162517	296.19	X		844,281.29
08/22/2025	434151708	Department of Treas	-split-	36-3327732	16,818.62	X		827,462.67
08/22/2025	839905904	Il. Dept. of Revenue	2100 · Payroll Liabilities	36-3327732	4,661.15	X		822,801.52
08/22/2025	9152530	Comcast	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		307.40	X		822,494.12
08/22/2025	2138407	Comcast	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		231.32	X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7553	Arnold, Jacquelyn M.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7554	Bowles, Matthew	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7555	Cantrell, Luanne K	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7556	Ciarlette, Noah A	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7557	Dikun, Nathan S	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7558	Dircks, Brennan C	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7559	Fals, Shelby L.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7560	Fellows, Sarah K	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7561	Grubisich, Danial P	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7562	Hammerstein, Jr., Mi	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80

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08/22/2025	DD7564	Hartman, Jason S	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7565	Highbaugh, Andrew S	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7566	Kazak, Jeffrey M	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7567	Koranda, Jr., Allen C.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7568	McCluskey, William	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7569	McMillin, Brian D.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7570	O'Hern, Terrence M.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7571	Petrakis, John	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7572	Pierce, Dillon J.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7573	Randich, Jacob M.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7574	Schneider, Scott W.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7575	Schumacher, Jessica L	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7576	Skole, Matthew J.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/22/2025	DD7577	Tobolt, Dale G	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		822,262.80
08/25/2025	3570	Paws Up 4 Rescue	1-201 · 2000 Accounts		500.00	X		821,762.80
08/26/2025			401-01 · Ambulance Bi	Deposit		X	473.81	822,236.61
08/27/2025			401-01 · Ambulance Bi	Deposit		X	3,020.80	825,257.41
08/29/2025			401-01 · Ambulance Bi	Deposit		X	990.31	826,247.72
08/31/2025			401-09 · Interest \$	Interest		X	128.91	826,376.63
09/04/2025		QuickBooks Payroll	064-6 · Amb General/	Created by Pay	80,622.77			745,753.86
09/05/2025			401-10 · Reimburseme	Deposit			810.06	746,563.92
09/05/2025	253546	Transamerica	11.11 · chief's pen. & d	VB98198 00001	182.03			746,381.89
09/05/2025	253556	Transamerica	-split-	PE61743-0000	5,618.62			740,763.27
09/05/2025	73708545	Department of Treas	-split-	36-3327732	18,938.02			721,825.25
09/05/2025	2075089	Il. Dept. of Revenue	2100 · Payroll Liabilities	36-3327732	5,078.76			716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7578	Arnold, Jacquelyn M.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
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09/05/2025	DD7586	Grubisich, Danial P	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
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09/05/2025	DD7590	Highbaugh, Andrew S	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7591	Kazak, Jeffrey M	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49

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09/05/2025	DD7593	McMillin, Brian D.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7594	McMillin, Michael J	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7595	O'Hern, Terrence M.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7596	Petrakis, John	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7597	Pierce, Dillon J.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7598	Randich, Jacob M.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7599	Schneider, Scott W.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7600	Schumacher, Jessica L	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49
09/05/2025	DD7601	Skole, Matthew J.	-split-	Direct Deposit		X		716,746.49

Direct Deposit

X



Community Support Services Report August 2025

Statistics

84 Ambulance Calls

- o Lift Assist/Falls 14
- o Psych/Suicide 8

Monthly Referrals - 1

Priority Level	Disposition
307 Panic Attack	D13- Case Managed by CSSC

Activity

- Attended Senior Bingo at the Three Rivers Fest with Sarah and we made a quick introduction of our program and left swag as prizes.
- attended three days of the Three Rivers Fest and parade.
- Attended one NFPA CRR "Kitchen Table" presentation.
- Attended the ice cream social at St. Elizabeth.
- Took online courses in:
 - o "Building a Culture of CRR in Your Organization"
 - o "CRR for Chief Fire Officers"
 - "Selling Safety to Older Adults"
- Introducing the "Check and Protect: Senior Home Safety" program to reduce the risk for falls and fires in the homes of area seniors in January.
 - We will offer in home safety surveys this fall using the NFPA "Steps to Safety" program as our guide and make recommendations for safety improvements based on the results.
 - o I did a study of Falls/Lift Assist from January through August:
 - 18 % are Mega Users and I have attempted to or are currently working on them.
 - 13 % are at Remington Woods
 - Sarah and I plan on meeting with the manager of Remington Woods this fall to arrange a "Meet and Greet" after the first of the year.
 - 11 % are at St. Elizabeth
 - We have done a lot of work there and just finished our first "Matter of Balance" class. We anticipate call volume to go down soon!
 - 10 % were from a Mega User who expired.
 - 51 % are all others in the community.
 - I have asked for funds in the 2026 budget to send a mass mailing regarding the program to the entire district.
 - Judy Wooten from Channahon Township is very excited about our program and has offered their facility for meetings or a "Matter of Balance" class. I feel

- it would be an ideal location, especially in winter weather because the parking lot is literally outside the door.
- The Channahon Park District has offered to let us use the Field House free of charge for the "Matter of Balance" class.
- Sarah and I plan on offering a "Matter of Balance" class in the spring and fall and maybe one in the summer.

Comments

- Both the referral volume and call volume are down a bit.
- Chief and I will be having a conversation regarding the "referral" process for the crews.
 - o I am currently reviewing all ambulance calls for potential referrals.
 - Once our "Check and Protect" goes live, I would like to encourage the crews to be intentional in looking for possible fall and fire hazards.
- There seems to be an uptick in psych calls. I am thinking these may be an automatic referral for me to follow up and make sure the patients are getting what they need.
 - o I will be meeting with our local clinician partner Katie Diaz Hughes this month to begin working on a basic protocol for crews when they approach a scene for a psych evaluation.

Respectively submitted, Luanne Cantrell Community Support Services Coordinator



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Fire Safety and Life Educator Monthly Activities August 2025

Trainings/meetings	total students
8/28 St Elizabeth Ice Cream Social	22
School Visits	
8/26, 8/28 ALICE drills at CJHS, TRS, PP, & NGB	
8/29 Fire Drills CJHS & TRS	

Other	
8/6, 8/7, 8/8, 8/9, 8/10 Three Rivers Fest	400+
8/13 CPR/First Aid St Ann's church	7
8/15 Fire Extinguisher Class United Rentals	24
8/27 CPR/First Aid Park District	5
8/27 Car seat Install	1



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Meetings	9/11 First Due meeting with Brandi
Pending Activities	3, 10, 17, 24 IFSAP training 9/5 1 st grade Galloway 9/8 2 nd grade Galloway 9/22 UMC 4yr preschool 9/23 UMC 3 yr preschool 9/27 Kindergarten Galloway
Other	9/9 FLSE exam 9/16 CRR Conference in Joliet 2, 15, 18, 29, 30 planning days

Respectfully Submitted,

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Fire Prevention and Inspection Monthly Activities August 2025

- Attended meetings for 1st Due configuration.
- Drone research and meeting with Minooka FD Feinberg about operations and costs associated with a drone program. Looking to set up a joint operations class for both departments.
- Research for potential grant opportunities to help offset the cost to implement a drone program.
- Completed several test inspections using the 1st Due Software. St.1 & St.2 are now complete and recorded.
- Completed an inspection at Channahon General Rental using the new software.
- Assisted in logistics for building & vehicle maintenance.
- Updated the 1st Due workbook to include dates for occupancies were last inspected.
- Started creating a calendar for the Annual Life Safety inspections of business occupancies. A new cycle starting with the businesses that had a last inspection date in 2023 will be first on the agenda and these will start Sept. 8th.
- Participated in School Fire Dills at the Channahon Junior High and Three Rivers School.
- Updated all the Knox Box keys at all Channahon School District #17 facilities.
- United Rental (Tool Building) has an O.O.S. Fire Alarm due to a bad detector. The system is old and their contractor states that they cannot find parts anymore. United Rental is currently getting quotes for a new system.
- Four Rivers Education Center also had a problem with their Fire Alarm Panel. It was placed out of service and tagged appropriately. Four Rivers has replaced their system and it now back in service.
- Followed up with C&K Trucking on Front St. They have now corrected most of their violations including installing a Knox Box on their entry gate to the property and we installed the appropriate keys and gate code. They have also made the correction of appropriate address identification for their property.
- Continued Follow-up with Trouble & Supervisory alarms reported to us from Wescom.
- Moving forward, it is intended that the people involved with fire inspections will continue to become familiar with the new software. This will be an ongoing learning experience and I am optimistic that this will be a far better way to complete inspections for the CFPD.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Deputy Chief Report for September 2025

Vehicles:

- 417 7/21 to Wilmington for pump test by Quad County, passed...no issues.
- 180 ('46 Ford) to McCann for batt's/engine/brakes work
- 414 8/13 DOT inspection, passed, no issues.
- 448 8/19 to Auto Science for oil/filter/PM
- 411 8/27 to Morris EVT for repair of turbo actuator; returned to service 8/28.

Monthly total: \$3,641.82 Year to Date: \$35,876.08 as of August 27, 2025

Stations:

Station 1

- New generator install on-going, final testing pending
- Roof leak due to seam on one of the RTU's, Premistar replaced gaskets/seals.
- MAKO SCBA compressor sequence valve and regulator repaired by Air One.

Station 2

- Insect problem appears to be rectified.
- Interior humidity problem being evaluated. Tech trying to determine if units are drawing in too much outside air. Units seem to be functioning properly.
- Exterior water penetration around doors during significant rain events has been addressed with adjustments and drip edge work. Still seeing some infiltration. Evaluation on-going.
- Elliot Electric out to troubleshoot exterior light operation. Found a bad photocell/timer. Repaired.

Meetings:

- Sat in on Teams meeting with Chief and Capt. Skole regarding First Due Scheduling module.
- Met with each Shift Captain regarding initial expectations for emergency response roles, and responsibilities.
- Met with new EMS Coordinator Kazak on coordinating EMS system entry

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Significant Calls:

9/4 Engine Assist to Morris for Truck Fire at Love's (Brisbin); container truck full of lithium-ion batteries. Five hour operation.

Total calls for August 2025 = **163** 2025 Year to Date = **1314** (9/4)

Pending:

- 412 has passed the re-pump test; no additional data received yet.
- Ambulance PM's scheduled for late September / October.
- New FF/P Candidate Joe Owen introductory training ongoing.
- First Due software implementation.

*** End of Report***



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August 31, 2025

To: Board of Trustees

From: John Petrakis, Fire Chief

RE: Monthly Chief Activity Report

The following items summarize my appointments, assignments, and completions for this month:

Vehicles

- 411 displayed an "Open Door Warning" and has been repaired.
- E412 completed its pump test.
- Ambulance 414 completed and passed its bi-annual inspection.
- We experienced an HVAC leak at Station 1. It was found to be associated with the roof top unit and not the roof itself. A foam gasket had deteriorated on the roof top unit and a failed air conditioner compressor that services the basement was found inoperable. The compressor has been repaired, however, a bad refrigeration coil was found during preventative maintenance. It will require replacement. We are waiting for the part to be delivered.
- Preventative maintenance cycles for A424, S496, BT418, and UT488 are due in September.

Buildings

- Heintz was out at Station 2 on 8/12 to trouble shoot the rain seepage, particularly on the west side of the building. They made some modifications and reinforcements to doors #3 and #5. We experienced another hard rain after the Heintz made the adjustments. It improved the seepage with the exception the top of each door. There was less rain penetration at the top of each door but still noticeable water penetrating the top. We are working with Heintz and RC Wegman to determine the
- Generator installation was delayed until August 25. Clennon Electric needed to coordinate a scheduled power outage with ComEd to execute the repairs.
- Station 1 generator and switch gear installation continues. Clennon Electric and Cummins will perform a startup procedure on 9/19. The auxiliary generator will remain on site until the generator is completely installed. We had to extend the rental of this generator for two additional weeks due to the interruption in installation. I am estimating it will be approximately \$6,000 for the rental generator.
- Premistar was out to repair a compressor in the south basement. During their recent preventative maintenance visit, a condensing coil was found to be leaking refrigerant. We are waiting on a new coil for replacement.
- IT Bill will be planning the installation of additional security cameras and screens to display real time capture of various areas of Station 1. He has all the components and will get the low voltage project scheduled with Brandenberg.



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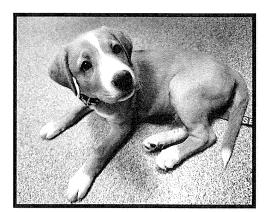
Administration/Operations

- First Due integration continues with more configuration calls for inspections, NERIS, and ePCR modules.
 - o Hydrants Module Configuration Call 8/18 200 PM
 - o Responder Optimization Call 8/18 330 PM
 - o ePCR Configuration Call #1, 8/25 at 1230 PM
 - o NERIS Configuration Call #1, 8/28 at 230 PM
- The Office of the State Fire Marshal Small Equipment Grant has opened for applications. A teams call has been scheduled for 9/8. I intend to apply for new SCBAs and fit test machine.
- Live fire training is scheduled over the next 3 weeks on Wednesdays. Captain McMillin has drills established for each day. The candidates will also participate in live fire training.
- Budget preparation is underway. Deadline for budget requests from our program coordinators is 9/30.
- Jacque and I met with a prospective ambulance billing company. We have had some recent instances with our current vendor that are unacceptable. There is an action item for discussion and approval to enter an agreement with Paramedic Billing Services.

Personnel

- Deputy Chief McMillin started on 9/2. He is in the office and working on acclimating himself and settling in. During the week of 9/8, DC McMillin and I will sit with the shifts and give him the opportunity to visit with each shift. Nothing formal or scripted, just an opportunity to converse with him.
- Joe Owen was commissioned on 9/2 and will complete his orientation on 9/5. Joe will begin his first shift on 9/9
- Annual physicals will begin the week of 9/22 for the first phase and the again the week of 10/27. We are using a new outfit for our examinations this year.
- During the last trustee's meeting, I floated the concept to the board members. After the August meeting, we had an opportunity to evaluate a prospective K9 to fulfill the role. The puppy showed very good potential to serve in the role as a therapy dog and support dog for community outreach and education. As a time was factor because there was a list of people who were ready to adopt the puppy. Working with a group of our crews, they sought donations from community businesses to help with the startup costs of initiating a therapy/support K9

program. To our surprise, we had commitments from 3 local businesses who have graciously provided donated items or services. Forepaws pet and food supply store has committed to provide all food, treats, tethers, and equipment for the service life of the dog. Rusty Ridge Animal Clinic has committed to providing all veterinarian exams, office visits, and procedures at no cost for the service life of the dog. Mutz Gym dog training has provided a very generous discount for obedience and therapy training. Our foreign fire board has committed to purchasing all the items the puppy needs, obedience and therapy training, and has committed to funding any general needs for the dog. We did inform our





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liability insurance carrier and there are no additional premium costs. The only cost for the district was the adoption fee of \$500. It includes all the initial vaccines, exam visits, and neutering. I know I spoke of this being a concept, however with a narrow window to adopt the desired puppy, we had to provide commitment. We have adopted the desired puppy, and he could not be more perfect. His name is Rigs. He is extremely social, well mannered, and a quick learner. Rigs is a mix of labrador and beagle. He has already begun training. FF/Medic Shelby Fals has accepted responsibility as his handler. FF/Medic Fals will manage Rigs' routines, be present at all training sessions, transport to and from vet appointments.

- FF/Medic Dillon Pierce is in the final days of his injury leave. He has an appointment on 9/15 with his surgeon and occupational health to obtain a release from medical leave. He will report back to his regular shift on 9/16.
- We have enrolled as a ride agency with the Morris Paramedic program. FF/Medic Kazak met with Morris EMS staff this week to review the requirements. Primarily, Candidate Crystal Valencia will be our paramedic student. However, from time to time, we may have some additional students as well.
- The candidate program is 2 months in action, and our group of candidates are developing well. Lots of good training with the crews. They are riding along on their respective shift assignments and are getting introduced to the firehouse life, training, and running calls. They continue their preparations to attend academy beginning in January 2026.

Miscellaneous

- A gentle reminder regarding budget preparation for those who oversee programs. Please have your budget request to me no later than September 30.
- Just a reminder that Sarah will be using 448 every Wednesday through December as she commutes to various locations for her Executive Support Professional class.
- We will be hosting a module of the IFSAP Executive Support Professional class on 9/24 in our training room.

For the Good and Welfare

- <u>*REMINDER*</u> DC Mike McMillin is being sworn in on 9/8 at 6 PM. Class "A" attire (Class "B" if you do not have a Class "A"). Desserts and refreshments will be served immediately afterwards!
- I want to recognize and share appreciate for the efforts of Sarah and Lu, duty crews, 488 crew, and candidates during the Three Rivers Festival. It was hot and disgustingly humid, but everyone did extremely well! I have heard nothing but fantastic comments about our presence.
- Continue to keep up the great work with the candidates. I am extremely pleased with the efforts you are investing in these young candidates. They love everything you do with them during their time here. They are enjoying their experience.
- A career exploration candidate, Rylee Gabriel, who has expressed interest in the fire and EMS career path is riding along with the crews. She enjoyed her interactions with the crews and candidates so much, she has asked to continue ride-a-longs to gain experience to transition to EMT class. She has requested to ride more frequently to prepare for EMT class. Rylee is a very driven young lady who, no doubt, has her affairs in order and has committed to investing time to gain a lot of experience and prepare for EMT class.



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Miscellaneous
Events/Activities

- Administrative Staff Meetings
- Special Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners
- First Due Configuration Calls and Check-Ins
- Three Rivers Festival Sponsor Dinner
- Three Rivers Festival Amusement Ride and Food Vendor Inspections
- Plan Review and fire code research for the ongoing retrofitting of the Verdeco building on Youngs Road
- Meeting with consultant firm to discuss the impacts of the CN rail project at McClindon and Rt. 6
- Meeting with Andy Fitzgerald, New Trustee

Pending

- IFSAP Group Dynamics Class 9/24 Training Room
- Transitioning and acclimating DC Mike McMillin to his role
- OSFM Small Equipment Grant Preparation Meeting
- Budget preparation for FY2026
- First Due configuration
- SOG and General Order Review/Updates
- Administrative operating guide composition
- Live Fire Training