

# North Maine Fire Protection District

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## **MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORTH MAINE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS MARCH 11, 2026**

A regular meeting of the North Maine Fire Protection District Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the North Maine Fire Station #1 located at 9301 Potter Road, Des Plaines, Illinois 60016, pursuant to notice.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chief Greiner called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

A ceremony was held recognizing the promotion of Albert Collins to Lieutenant.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Donald Neal effective March 11, 2026 and expressed sincere gratitude for his service and contributions. The Board also presented him with a plaque for his more than 20 years of service.

### **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Treasurer Dagmar Rutzen and Trustee Barry Juister

**ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Fire Chief Robert Greiner, North Maine FPD; Attorney John Motylinski, Ottosen DiNolfo; Dhara Patel, Lauterbach & Amen (L&A); Jessica Setzer, Member of the Public

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** *February 11, 2026, Regular Meeting Open Session Minutes:* The Board reviewed the February 11, 2026 regular meeting open session minutes. A motion was made by Trustee Juister and seconded by Trustee Rutzen to approve the February 11, 2026 regular meeting open session minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**PRESENTATIONS:** *Albert Collins Promotion to Lieutenant:* The Board acknowledged the promotional ceremony that was held to recognize the promotion of Albert Collins to Lieutenant.



**TREASURER’S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the Treasurer’s Report for the period ending February 28, 2026. As of February 28, 2026, the District’s beginning balance was \$7,758,354.63. The District received deposits during the month of February in the amount of \$539,860.69. The February expenses totaled (\$662,467.69). The February in-and-out transfers were \$321,951.39. The February net balance change was (\$122,607). As of February 28, 2026, the District’s ending balance was \$7,635,747.63. A motion was made by Trustee Juister and seconded by Trustee Rutzen to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT:** Attorney Motylinski updated the Board on legislation applicable to the Fire Protection District as well as the Pension Fund.

**FIRE CHIEF AND TRUSTEE REPORTS:** Chief Greiner informed the Board of the following:

- *RED Center:* The Department ran 257 calls in February 2026.
- *NIPSTA:* There were no updates.
- *MABAS:* There were no updates.
- *Safety Committee:* There were no updates.
- *Apparatus Update:* There were no updates.
- *Review of Assigned Tasks:*
  - Lieutenant Andrew Klatt was granted a duty related disability pension and the Department presented him with a retirement shadowbox at his home
  - A brief memorial service was held for Chief Robert McKay on February 22, 2026 and Chief Greiner formally recognized the memorial bench
  - Albert Collins was promoted to Lieutenant on February 23, 2026
  - 1992 Pierce Engine is unsalvageable and will be donated to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation charity
  - The District is currently operating with the loaner engine from Niles; the 2014 Spartan engine is expected to be repaired by mid-March 2026
  - There are no new updates on the grants due to the ongoing partial government shutdown
  - Trey Tardio is still on active military deployment and is on track to return to duty in May 2026

**OLD BUSINESS:** *Discussion/Possible Approval of an ordinance covering salaries and Insurance Benefits of the North Maine Fire Protection District:* The Board noted that the Payroll and Insurance Ordinance covering salaries and insurance benefits of the North Maine Fire Protection District is in process. Further discussion will be held at the next regular meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** *March 11, 2026, Check Register and Disbursement Summary (Approval):*

North Maine FPD Disbursements March 11, 2026		
Checks:	Check #'s 8254-8293	\$90,480.98
	ACHs – February	\$51,121.00
<b>Total Checks:</b>		<b>\$141,601.98</b>



Payrolls:	February 13, 2026	\$134,410.63
	February 27, 2026	\$131,096.46
<b>Total Payrolls:</b>		<b>\$265,507.09</b>
<b>Total Disbursements:</b>		<b>\$407,109.07</b>

A motion was made by Trustee Juister and seconded by Trustee Rutzen to approve the March 11, 2026 Check Register and Disbursement Summary in the amount of \$407,109.07 as presented. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

*Discussion/Possible Approval of potential benefits for new full-time Fire Marshal Position:* The Board discussed the approval of potential benefits and an updated job description for a new full-time Fire Marshal position for Scott Peterson. A motion was made by Trustee Rutzen and seconded by Trustee Juister to approve the updated job description and benefits for the full-time Fire Marshal position for Scott Peterson, starting April 1, 2026, pending final salary determination from Attorney Motylinski. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

*Discussion/Possible Approval of donation of 1992 Pierce Engine to charity:* The Board discussed the donation of the reserve 1992 Pierce fire engine to charity. A motion was made by Trustee Rutzen and seconded by Trustee Juister to approve the donation of the 1992 Pierce fire engine to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, a national nonprofit organization that supports fallen first responders. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**CLOSED SESSION:** There was no need for closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Trustee Rutzen and seconded by Trustee Juister to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the North Maine Fire Station #1 located at 9301 Potter Road, Des Plaines, Illinois 60016.

  
Trustee Signature

4/8/26  
Date Approved by Board

*Minutes prepared by Dhara Patel, Professional Administrative Services, Lauterbach & Amen*

