

**ORDINANCE #2026-01**

**AN ORDINANCE  
PERMITTING ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE  
AT TRUSTEE MEETINGS**

**WHEREAS**, on January 1, 2007, Public Act 94-1058, amending the Open Meetings Act, took effect and amended the definition of a “meeting” to mean “Any gathering, whether in person or by video or audio conference, telephone call, electronic means (such as, without limitation, electronic mail, electronic chat and instant messaging) or other means of contemporaneous interactive communication, of a majority of a quorum of the members of the public body held for the purpose of discussing public business,” and it permits attendance of members of the public body at public meetings by a means other than physical presence;

**WHEREAS**, the Byron Fire Protection District adopted Ordinance #2010-02 on May 10, 2024 to permit electronic attendance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Byron Fire Protection District amended the Electronic Attendance Ordinance on July 23, 2024 with Ordinance #2024-02 in accordance with the Open Meetings Act;

**WHEREAS**, the corporate authorities of the Byron Fire Protection District recognize the changes made by passage of Public Act 104-0438 signed on November 21, 2025 and effective January 1, 2026 by means of adding a new exception for attendance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Trustees of the Byron Fire Protection District as follows:

**Section 1: APPENDIX A** will be amended to include the following exception:

(5) Active Military Service

**Section2:** Chapter 2 – Board of Trustees, Section 2.17 Meetings – Electronic Attendance - shall be amended by adding the new exception to Section A, Prerequisites paragraph two (2) and list the new exception as item 2E as follows:

2e. The member cannot attend because of active military service.

**Section 3: Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect January 1, 2026 after its passage and approval according to law.

Passed and Approved this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.



Christopher Logston, President

ATTEST:



Mathew Kuss, Secretary

Ayes: Kuss, Beitel, Snider, Higgins + Logston

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

