

BYRON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

1) OPENING OF MEETING

President Chris Logston called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

2) ROLL CALL

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Sandy Beitel, Randy Snider and Chris Logston

Matt Kuss arrived at 6:04 pm

TRUSTEES ABSENT

Chris Higgins

OFFICERS PRESENT

Chief Andrew Politsch and D/C Tony Dinges

3) GUESTS PRESENT

John Falduto, FF Kurt Larson and FF Tim King

4) PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 22, 2025 General Meeting Minutes - Trustee Snider motioned to approve July 22, 2025 General Meeting Minutes as submitted and studied. Second by Trustee Logston. Roll Call: Kuss – Absent, Higgins – Absent, Snider – Yes, Beitel – Yes and Logston - Yes. Motion passed.

July 22, 2025 Closed Session General Meeting Minutes - Trustee Logston motioned to approve July 22, 2025 Closed Session General Meeting Minutes as submitted and studied with the provision they remain closed. Second by Trustee Snider. Roll Call: Kuss – Absent, Higgins – Absent, Snider – Yes, Beitel – Yes and Logston - Yes. Motion passed.

6) APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT AND BILLS

Trustee Snider motioned to approve the Financial Report and Bills for July 2025 in the amount of \$286,730.10, as submitted and studied. Second by Trustee Logston. Roll Call: Beitel – Yes, Higgins – Absent, Snider – Yes, Kuss – Absent, and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.

7) CORRESPONDENCE and ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

8) OLD BUSINESS

- A) *Quarterly Report Presentation by Sawyer & Falduto – The Quarterly Report was presented by John Falduto. No action taken.*
- B) *Review of Ordinances & Resolutions Passed and Approved in August of Previous Years – Ordinance #2020-02; An Ordinance Establishing the 2015 Life Safety Code for the Byron Fire Protection District, Ogle County. Ordinance was discussed, not need to update. No action taken.*
- C) *Discussion and possible action on Updating the Maternity Leave Policy – Section 4.11 Leave for Personal or Family Medical Reasons was updated to include Paternity Leave and one (1) week (five consecutive days) of paid leave to any full-time employee who meets the guidelines set forth in section 4.11. Trustee Beitel motioned to approve updating the Maternity Leave Policy – Section 4.11 as presented. Second by Trustee Kuss. Roll Call: Kuss – Yes, Beitel – Yes, Snider – Yes, Higgins – Absent and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.*

9) NEW BUSINESS

- A) *Chief's Report – Chief Politsch reported the new ambulance arrives on Friday. An agency from the Springfield area may be interested in purchasing the old ambulance for approximately \$85,000. Stillman Valley Fire Protection District purchased the power load cot from the ambulance for \$10,000.*
- B) *Attorney's Report – No report.*
- C) *Discussion and possible action on Ratifying E-mail Vote Approving Purchase of Gravely Pro-Turn Mower – Trustee Kuss motioned to Ratify the E-mail Vote Approving the Purchase of the Gravely Pro-Turn Mower in the amount of \$12,246.00. Second by Trustee Snider. Roll Call: Beitel -Yes, Higgins – Absent, Kuss – Yes, Snider – Yes and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.*
- D) *Discussion and possible action on Resolution #2025-01 Excess Equipment Disposal – Cub Cadet Mower – Mower was purchased by Todd Tucker for \$900.00. Trustee Snider motioned to approve Resolution #2025-01 Excess Equipment Disposal – Cub Cadet Mower. Second by Trustee Beitel. Roll Call: Kuss – Yes, Snider – Yes, Beitel – Yes, Higgins – Absent and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.*

10) EXECUTIVE SESSION – No motions made to enter closed session.

11) BUSINESS to DISCUSS after CLOSED SESSION

A) Discussion and possible action on any Closed Session Item – No action taken.

12) ADJOURN

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Beitel motioned to adjourn the meeting. Second by Trustee Snider. Roll Call: Kuss – Yes, Beitel – Yes, Snider – Yes, Higgins – Absent, and Logston – Yes. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mathew Kuss". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mathew Kuss
Secretary