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Central Stickney Fire Protection District

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Bruce Zelasko, President
Fortino Carrillo, Treasurer
Karl Frixen, Secretary

February 12, 2026

The Central Stickney Fire Protection District Board held its Regular Monthly Meeting on February 12, 2026, at the Central Stickney Fire House, 4951 S. Lotus Avenue, Stickney Township, Illinois, 60638.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ROLL CALL

Fortino Carrillo
Bruce Zelasko

Karl Frixen was absent.

ALSO PRESENT

Brian McMahon, Chief
Mike Cainkar, Attorney
Sue Staneart, Recording Secretary

Mr. Zelasko called the meeting to order at 6:29 P.M.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Zelasko motioned, seconded by Mr. Carrillo, to approve the January 8, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko
 Nays: None.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Mr. Zelasko motioned, seconded by Mr. Carrillo, to approve payment of the January 2026 Bills Payable with a total disbursement of \$341,231.02.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko
Nays: None.

Motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Cainkar announced that this will be his last meeting, saying that since 1984 or so, he has been representing the department – everyone has been very nice, very respectful. It's been my pleasure working with you, and I'd like to thank you for all of your kindness.

Chief McMahon presented Mr. Cainkar with a plaque in honor of his years representing the Central Stickney Fire Protection District.

The room erupted in applause.

Mr. Cainkar said he was humbled and again thanked everyone.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Zelasko read the following Treasurer's Report dated January, 2026:

Opening Balance for January 1, 2026	\$ 589,415.97
DEPOSITS	
1/2/2026 Medical Reimbursement	15,003.44
1/2/2026 Liberty National Refund	123.67
1/5/2026 Food & Flowers Club	280.00
1/14/2026 STATE PORPERTY REPLACEMENT TAX	14,483.09
1/21/2026 Cook County Tax	12,188.10
1/21/2026 Cook County Tax	5,773.15
1/21/2026 Cook County Tax	4,656.78
1/21/2026 Cook County Tax	3,124.63
1/21/2026 Cook County Tax	1,931.47
1/21/2026 Cook County Tax	1,485.41
1/23/2026 Cook County Tax	63,84.60
1/30/2026 Cook County Tax	<u>151,449.21</u>
TOTAL DEPOSITS FOR JANUARY, 2026	<u>\$ 274,083.55</u>
EXPENDITURES	
PAYROLL, TAXES, IMRF, FEES	64,442.08
BILLS PAID	<u>341,231.62</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR JANUARY, 2026	<u>\$ 405,673.70</u>

CLOSING STATEMENT BALANCES FOR JANUARY 31, 2026:

CHECKING 2	\$ 701,426.95
CHECKING 3	\$ 7,985.83
SAVINGS	<u>\$ 51,214.68</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 760,627.46</u>

Mr. Zelasko motioned, seconded by Mr. Carrillo, to approve and accept the Treasurer's Report.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko
Nays: None.

Motion carried.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief McMahon reported that there were 72 total calls for the month of January 2026.

Fire:	45	Ambulance:	27
In-town Fires:	27	In-town:	15
M/A Fires:	18	M/A:	12

Fuel used: Gasoline: 78.3 gallons Diesel: 45.3 gallons

No major incidents in town to report.

January 2026 Training Report:

Total Contact hours of training: 761
Drivers Training, Vehicle Checks, Maintenance checks: 464
Fire Training Topics: 297
Officer Training: 0
Mutual Aid Training: 0

For January and February, crews will be completing all Mandatory OSHA classes. (Online, provided by the Illinois Risk Fund)

We sent 3 members to the IFSI Winter Fire School: Chevas, Dotson, and Purvis.

Training Officer Chevas completed the OSFM – mandated recertification process for all Fire Department Members. This was a long process, and we are all thankful for the hard work put in by Training Officer Chevas.

Vehicle, Equipment, House Maintenance, Other:

Five members on leave of absence (Linane, Sanchez-Molina, McFarland, Gresik, Pawyza)

We still have open shifts, but we are getting better.

Our International Ambulance is still listed for sale with Brindle Mountain Apparatus.

Jason Staidl, Brian Cotter, and I have still been working with Image Trend to make certain we are compliant with the new NERIS requirements.

We received a grant from IPRF for \$5,612.00. The following items have been ordered:

- Roadway Safety Vests for Ambulance 908
- 2 single gas CO meters for E907 and E905
- 1 Always On single gas CO meter for Ambulance 908 (to be attached to the EMS bag)
- 2 ECO CAF – Foam Extinguishers w/5gallons of foam for E907 and E905
- 4 Fire Wedge – Extrication Cribbing. EV compatible

Chief McMahon read the following Fire Prevention and Public Safety Report submitted by Deputy Chief Jason Staidl for January 2026:

1. I received notification from Rogers Pump Sales and Service Inc: they have scheduled the annual fire pump test at 6200 W. 51st St for Feb 18th.
2. I received notification from FSCI that OSI Rose Packing submitted for a sprinkler modification in the Thaw Tank Room & B-17 Raw Room.
3. I have been saving all Tier II reports in Image Trend under the Documents
4. I have been appointed the Vice-President for the Fire Investigators Strike Force.
 - a. The Fire Investigators Strike Force is a non-profit association dedicated to the education of fire investigation professionals and related fields.
 - b. Our core mission is:
 - i. To provide relevant training that meets or exceeds NFPA 921 and 1033 standards or covers current topics related to advancements in the science of fire investigation.
 - ii. To offer a means for investigators from different agencies to create and cultivate relationships that will further the investigation of fire causation.
 - iii. To act as a vehicle for increased visibility and professionalism of the fire investigator's role.
 - iv. To provide a venue where the many disciplines charged with determining the origin and cause of fires can meet and exchange information and ideas.

Mr. Zelasko motioned, seconded by Mr. Carrillo, to approve the Chief's Report and the Fire Prevention and Public Safety Report.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko
Nays: None.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ADJOURNMENT


Mr. Zelasko motioned, seconded by Mr. Carrillo, to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carrillo, Zelasko
 Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Bruce Zelasko, President


Fortino Carrillo, Treasurer