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Central Stickney Fire Protection District

4951 SOUTH LOTUS AVENUE STICKNEY TWP., ILLINOIS 60638

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

October 8, 2026

The Central Stickney Fire Protection District Board held its Regular Monthly Meeting on October 8, 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
Karl Frixen
Bruce Zelasko

ALSO PRESENT
Brian McMahon, Chief
Beth Attard, 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 September 10, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Mr. Zelasko motioned, seconded by Mr. Frixen to approve payment of the September 2026 Bills Payable with a total disbursement of $36,450.28.

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

Motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Ms. Attard advised that the levy should be ready for next month's meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Carrillo read the following Treasurer's Report dated September 2026:

Opening Balance for September 1, 2026		$ 598,077.28
DEPOSITS		
9/3/2026	Medical Reimbursement	855.98
9/8/2026	Medical Reimbursement	1,318.88
9/8/2026	Food & Flowers Club	272.00
9/16/2026	Cook County Tax	9,257.39
9/16/2026	Medical Reimbursement	5,000.46
9/17/2026	Medical Reimbursement	285.24
9/25/2026	Cook County Tax	2,627.17
9/25/2026	Medical Reimbursement	854.84
TOTAL DEPOSITS FOR SEPTEMBER 2026		$ 20,472.96
EXPENDITURES		
PAYROLL, TAXES, IMRF, FEES		63,930.52
BILLS PAID		36,450.28
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR SEPTEMBER 2026		$ 100,380.80

CLOSING STATEMENT BALANCES FOR SEPTEMBER 30, 2026:

CHECKING 2	$ 131,366.13
CHECKING 3	$ 44,442.29
SAVINGS	$ 351,389.22
TOTAL	$ 527,197.64

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

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

Motion carried.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief McMahon read the following Chief's Report, reporting that there were 72 total calls for the month of September 2026.

Fire:	42	Ambulance:	30
In-town Fires:	22	In-town :	19
M/A Fires:	20	M/A:	11
Fuel used:	Gasoline: 103.2 gallons	Diesel: 69.8 gallons	

9/18/26 E905 responded to a change of quarters to Chicago Ridge to cover their Fire Box Alarm.

9/27/26 our T906 responded to a structure fire in the Village of Stickney on Persing Ave. The crew did a great job. The Chief was pleased with them.

September Training & Haz-Mat Report:
Total contact hours of training: 728
Driver Training and Maintenance Checks: 462
Fire Training Topics: 263
Officer Training: 0
Mutual Aid Training: 3

For September, there are 3 training topics:

1. Cross-lay lead-out up front stairs
2. T906 Aerial Setup
3. SCBA Time Drill

For OCTOBER, there are 3 training topics:

1. Portable Fire Extinguishers
2. Relay Pump Operations
3. District Familiarization/Hydrant Locations (Industrial) – Ensure Locks

On October 1st, our crew will attend a live fire training at Bedford Park; Training 3 of 4 for the year.

Vehicle, Equipment, House Maintenance, Other:
Four members are on leave of absence (Mina, Sanchez-Molina, Gresik, Pawyza)
PM Espinosa and PM Sefcik are both off duty for injuries not related to the district.
We still have open shifts but are improving.

We hired FF/PM Quinlan.

Our International Ambulance is still listed for sale with Brindle Mountain Apparatus. So far, we have only had two inquiries. The current price is $7,000.00.

Our Annual Open House was September 26th. We were hosting this open house in conjunction with the 125th Anniversary of Stickney Township, and it was a great success.

Chief McMahon reported that in early September, Gary Perlman sent the bill for our services to 6050 W. 51st Street, GCP. They will pay the invoice. Chief will report when that payment is made.

Chief McMahon read the following Fire Prevention and Public Safety Report submitted by D/C Jason Staidl for September 2026:

1. I received notification from FSCI that DnD Fire Protection called for a 13D residential sprinkler system test and final for September 28th at 5004 ½ Lotus Ave – 19 sprinklers – working pressure hydro.
2. I received notification from FSCI that DnD Fire Protection called for a 13D residential sprinkler system test and final on September 28th at 5004 ½ Lotus Ave. – 19 sprinklers – working pressure hydro was approved with conditions.
3. I received notification that Rockfon North America is evaluating the replacement of their existing outdoor chemical storage shed with a prefabricated drop-in storage building. I advised them to submit to FSCI for a plan review and to also notify Cook County for additional requirements.
4. Fire Prevention Week is October 4-10, 2026; This year's theme is "Charge Into Fire Safety, Safe Charging Is a Superpower" focuses on the everyday habits that can help reduce the risk of lithium-ion batter fires and keep homes and communities safer.
5. Fire Prevention Week visits have been scheduled, and educational giveaway materials have been ordered.
6. The 125th Anniversary of the Central Stickney Community Combined Community Open House at the Community Center and Firehouse on Saturday, September 26th was a huge success. Thank you to all who assisted with either the preparation, the event itself, or cleanup!
7. After further review, Johnson Controls has deemed our main fire alarm control panel here in our building as inoperable. At this point, a new panel will be required; they will be assessing the current system and will advise on a course of action.

Mr. Zelasko motioned, seconded by Mr. Frixen, to approve the Chief's Report and Fire Prevention and Public Safety Reports for September.

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

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Zelasko, President

Karl Frixen, Secretary