

**PLEASANTVIEW FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TUESDAY JANUARY 13, 2026- 7:00 PM
1970 PLAINFIELD ROAD
LAGRANGE HIGHLANDS, IL 60525**

I. CALL TO ORDER to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

II. ROLL CALL all present

Finance Director Kirk called the roll:

Trustee Gay – Present

Trustee Millsap – Present

Trustee Giron– Present

Trustee Santen- Present

Trustee Srejma- Present

III. CLOSED SESSION MEETING MINUTES

President Gay asked for a motion to approve but not release the minutes for the closed session meeting on December 9th, 2025 meeting. Trustee Millsap moved to approve but not release the minutes of the closed session meeting on December 9th, 2025 meeting. Trustee Srejma seconded the motion. Trustee all trustees voted in favor. **Motion carried.**

IV. MEETING MINUTES

President Gay asked for a motion to accept the minutes for the December 9th, 2025 meeting. Trustee Srejma moved to accept the minutes of the December 9th 2025 meeting. Trustee Millsap seconded the motion. all trustees voted in favor. **Motion carried.**

V. WARRANTS

President Gay asked for a motion to approve the warrants for January 2026. Trustee Giron a moved to accept the warrants for the month of January 2026. Trustee Santen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Trustee Gay- Aye, Trustee Millsap, -Aye, Trustee Giron, -Aye, Trustee Santen-Aye, Trustee Srejma-Aye **Motion carried.**

VI. DISBURSEMENTS

President Gay asked for a motion to approve the Disbursements for December 2025. Trustee Srejma moved to approve the Disbursements for December 2025. Trustee Giron seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Trustee Gay- Aye, Trustee Millsap, -Aye, Trustee Giron, -Aye, Trustee Santen-Aye, Trustee Srejma- Aye. **Motion carried.**

VII. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

President Gay asked for a motion to place the Finance Director's Report on file. Trustee Millsap moved to place the Finance Director's Report on file. Trustee Santen seconded the motion. All trustees voted in favor. **Motion carried.**

VIII. ATTORNEY'S REPORT- Attorney Nichele had nothing to report

IX. COMMISSIONERS REPORT- Commissioner Johnson had nothing to report

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS – No committees established.

XI. CHIEF'S REPORT

- A. Chief Argast reported to the Board that the Walsh Foundation has again given the District a \$5,000 donation. He thanked the Foundation.
- B. Chief Argast reported to the Board that the previous closed session minutes of on February 2nd 2025, March 11, 2025, August 12th 2025, September 9th, 2025, October 21st, 2025, November 11, 2025 and December 9th, 2025 meeting should not be released at this time due to personnel issues and legal issues.
- C. Chief Argast reported to the Board that fund transfers did not happen due to the lack of disbursements from Cook County. He is hopeful that the fund transfers will take place at a later date.
- D. Chief Argast reported to the Board, that he would like the Board to appoint Carl Rhineberger to the fire commissioner board under new business.
- E. Chief Argast reported to the Board with him retiring he would like the Board to appoint Deputy Chief Donatucci to interim Fire Chief effective 01/30/2026 and Appoint Dan Colon to interim Deputy Chief as of 01/30/2026
- F. Chief Argast reported to the Board that with his retirement, the Board should appoint Deputy Chief Donatucci to the Pension Board effective 1/30/26.
- G. Chief Argast reported to the Board about a few significant events that took place, On December 8, the crews were dispatched to a woman in labor and when they arrived the woman had given birth to a baby Boy. On January 4, the crews were dispatched to a fire at LA Fitness. On January 9th crews were dispatched to a restaurant in Burr Ridge for a man that had his hand stuck in a meat grinder. Chief Argast stated that the all the crews did a fantastic job.
- H. NIAFPD conference will take place February 6-7 and all have been registered that have asked to be registered.
- I. He thanked the Board for letting him serve the board as Chief of Pleasantview Fire and he thanked Deputy Chief Donatucci and Finance Director Kirk for their help during his reign as Chief.

XII COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE – None

XIII. OLD BUSINESS - None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

- a. President Gay asked for a consideration of a motion not to release the closed session minutes for on February 2nd 2025, March 11, 2025, August 12th 2025, September 9th, 2025, October 21st, 2025, November 11, 2025 and December 9th, 2025 meeting should not be released at this time due to personnel issues. Trustee Millsap moved not release the minutes of on February 2nd 2025, March 11, 2025, August 12th 2025, September 9th, 2025, October 21st, 2025, November 11, 2025 and December 9th, 2025 meeting. Trustee Srejma seconded the motion. All trustees voted in favor. **Motion carried.**
- b. President Gay asked for a consideration of a motion to appoint Carl Rhineberger to the fire commission Board. Trustee Giron moved to appoint Carl Rhineberger to the fire commissioner's board. Trustee Srejma seconded the motion. All trustees voted in favor. **Motion carried.**
- c. President Gay asked for a consideration of a motion to appoint Tim Donatucci as interim Fire Chief and Dan Colon as interim Deputy Chief effective 01/30/2026. Trustee Santen moved to appoint Tim Donatucci as interim Fire Chief and Dan Colon as interim Deputy Chief effective 01/30/2026.
- d. President Gay asked for a consideration of a motion to appoint Tim Donatucci to the Fire Pension Board effective 01/30/2026. Trustee Srejma moved to appoint Tim Donatucci to the Fire Pension Board effective 01/30/2026. Trustee Millsap seconded the motion. All trustees voted in favor. **Motion carried**

XV. CLOSED SESSION- President Gay asked for a motion to recess the regular meeting at 7:16 and to convene into closed session for the purpose of a discussing personnel matters. Trustee Santen made the motion and Trustee Srejma seconded the motion. All trustees voted in favor. **Motion carried.**

President Gay reconvened the regular meeting at 7:50 pm. Trustee Srejma made the motion and Trustee Millsap seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Trustee Gay-Aye, Trustee Millsap-Aye Trustee Giron-Absent, Trustee Santen-Aye Trustee Srejma- Aye. **Motion carried.**

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

President Gay asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Srejma made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Santen seconded the motion. All trustees voted in favor. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:51p.m

 JAMES GAY PRESIDENT	 VERNON MILLSAP TRUSTEE	 JUAN GIRON TRUSTEE	 EDWARD SANTEN TRUSTEE	 WILLIAM SREJMA TRUSTEE
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