

HARLEM-ROSCOE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1

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Minutes of January 26, 2026

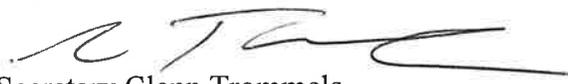
10544 Main St

1. **Call to Order:** Trustee Munger called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.
2. **Trustees Present** per roll call: Bart Munger, John Donahue, Glenn Trommels.
Others Present: Attorney Nate Noble, Chief Bergeron, Deputy Chief Grant, Deputy Chief Briggs, and Colleen Bloyer
Guest: James Howard (video)
3. **Approval of the Minutes:** Trustee Donahue made the motion to accept the minutes of December 22, 2025. Seconded by Trustee Trommels, all voting aye by roll call.
4. **Public comment:** No comment.
5. **Approval of the Financial Report:** James Howard went over the comparison from last year's finances through December of 2025. Mr. Howard suggested starting a capital reserve fund taking finances from both ambulance and fire's money market accounts He advised that the auditor will need to confirm this can be done. Trustee Trommels wanted to know why the ending balance does not compare with the department's report. December total expenditures is \$1,234,467.75 and \$1,094.74 for addendums. Trustees Donahue made a motion to accept the financial report with addendums Seconded by Trustee Munger, all voting aye by roll call.
6. **District Attorney Report:**
The Board agreed on Attorney Noble's pay increase of 3%.
7. **Correspondence:** The Board visited the 911 center.
8. **Ranking Officer Report:**
 - A. **Operations:** Deputy Chief Brigg's reported 408 calls for December and total calls for the year 4245. The ambulance and two engines will be ready soon.
 - B. **Equipment:** Chief Bergeron would like to order ten sets of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from Air One not to exceed \$39,860.00. Trustee Donahue made a motion to purchase the gear. Seconded by Trustee Trommels, all voting aye by roll call.
 - C. **Building & Grounds:** Chief Bergeron said that an estimate for the water softener from another company was about the same as the first company, he will keep looking. The parts for the showers at Sation #3 are ordered. Station #2's roof unit is waiting for the heat exchanger part. It was brought up about adding onto the maintenance bay. Chief has someone that will draw up plans at no charge.
 - D **Computer & Communication:** Deputy Chief Grant reported that the ambulance's iPads are outdated and the Fire Bureau also needs their replaced. Deputy Chief Grant suggested getting six new iPads not to exceed \$9,000.00. Trustee Trommels made a motion to purchase the iPads. Seconded by Trustee Munger all voting aye, by roll call.

- E. **Personnel:** Chaplain Sue Null and Tim Bergeron retired, Alissa Neubauer left for a new job. Kyle Kamholz was hired for the maintenance job starting March 9st. Chief Bergeron will have the department be a member of the Illinois Mechanical Association.
- F. **Announcements:** The Winnebago Fire Chief's dinner is January 28th at the VFW. The Association's spring dinner is March 28th the board agreed to pay \$2,000.00 to help the Association with the mailing. The annual appreciation dinner will be April 11th.
- 9. **HRFF Pension:** The pension lost 2 board members. Chief Bergeron recommended Tracy Renfro and Dylan Lackey to replace them. Trustee Donahue made a motion to accept the new board members. Seconded by Trustee Munger all voting aye by roll call.
- 10. **HRFD Fire Commission Board:** Nothing to report.
- 11. **Old Business/Discussion and Possible Action:**
 - A. Department Special Meeting: No meeting needed.
 - B. Ordinance 2025-6 Billing a Business for False Alarms: Attorney Noble had Ordinance 2025-6 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FALSE ALARM FEES AND FIRE & LIFE SAFETY CODE VIOLATION PENALTIES FOR THE HARLEM ROSCOE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, WINNEABGO COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Trustee Munger made a motion to accept the new ordinance. Seconded by Trustee Donahue all voting aye by roll call. It will take 30 days to activate.
- 12. **New Business/Discussion and Possible Action:**
 - A. Fire Recovering USA: Chief Bergeron explains what entails using Fire Recovering to bill out of district fire calls. After discussion the Board feels a need to look at other possibilities.
- 13. **Closed Session:** No closed session.

Trustee Munger moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:43 pm. Seconded by Trustee Donahue, all voting aye by roll call, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be February 23, 2026 at 3:00 PM 10544 Main St Roscoe, Illinois.

Respectfully Submitted,


Secretary Glenn Trommels
Board of Trustee
Harlem Roscoe Fire Protection District #1