



– Evanston Foreign Fire Tax Board –
MINUTES

Date: May 31, 2025

Location: Fire Station 2

Board Members Present: Edwards, Polep

Via Zoom: Ceriale, W. Davis, Holthaus, Casey

Others Present: Bass, Trippi

Called to Order: 11:05

New Business:

This is a special meeting due to a request from surface water team leaders Trippi and Morel for funds to equip new water rescue team members with personal equipment. Trippi requests equipping the ten new members so that they all will have the proper gear with them on shift.

Discussion follows.

Board agrees that that this team is a bright spot for our department and want to continue supporting them however possible, especially given the time sensitive nature of these calls.

Polep states he is trying to give all special teams as many members as possible to improve our capabilities and will continue to support that. He also states that the city has been stepping up and getting necessary items for our members.

Casey gives financial report and states the board has roughly \$100,000 remaining.

Holthaus makes motion for water rescue equipment not to exceed \$8100. Smrha 2nd. Motion carries 6-0.

Other Business: None

Meeting Adjourned: 11:36

Next EFFTb meeting: Monday, June 23rd 2025

EFD HQ – 909 Lake – 0800 HRS

Make all submissions via Formstack to EFFTb Secretary Holthaus by: Saturday, June 14th, 2025.