



**FOREIGN FIRE TAX BOARD  
OCTOBER 2, 2025 AT 8:00 AM**

FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS  
39 E COLFAX  
PALATINE, IL 60067-5339  
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**AGENDA**

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**SPECIAL MEETING**

**8:00 AM**

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- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. PRESENTATION/RECOGNITION OF ATTENDEES**
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. Foreign Fire Tax Board — Regular Meeting — June 18, 2025
  - B. Foreign Fire Tax Board — Regular Meeting — September 17, 2025
- V. TREASURER'S REPORT**
  - A. TREASURER'S REPORT
  - B. CURRENT BALANCE
  - C. SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
  - D. OUTSTANDING APPROVED ITEMS
  - E. OTHER ITEMS
- VI. OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. CANCER TESTING
- VII. NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. WEIGHT ROOM STORAGE
  - B. TRAINING DIVISION FFTB REQUEST
  - C. ELECTION COMMITTEE
  - D. 2026 MEETING DATES
  - E. 2026 STANDING ORDER LIST

F. RETIREE DISPLAY FOR STATION 82 ADMIN LOBBY

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**



**FOREIGN FIRE TAX BOARD**

**JUNE 18, 2025 AT 8:30 AM**

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**MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**8:30 AM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Dale Abbinanti called the meeting to order at 8:31 AM.

**II. ROLL CALL**

<b>PRESENT :</b>	Firefighter/Paramedic Joseph Duer, Firefighter/Paramedic Dale Abbinanti, Firefighter/Paramedic Robert Loverher, Firefighter/Paramedic Eric Jordan, Firefighter/Paramedic Matt Webb, Firefighter/Paramedic Adam Rothenberg,
<b>ABSENT :</b>	
<b>ARRIVED :</b>	

Also Present:

Fire Chief Patrick Gratziana, Division Chief Matt Buzzard, FF/PM Zach Heiderman

**III. PRESENTATION/RECOGNITION OF ATTENDEES**

D/C Buzzard gave an update on the training budget of \$50,000.00 and the FFTB training budget supplement of \$20,000.00 for FY2025, totaling \$70,000.00. The Training Division has accounted for \$68,931.16 in registered class tuition, with a remaining balance of \$1,068.84.

FF/PM Z. Heiderman presented his FFTB Request for a trial residential bidet for each fire station with a residential toilet connection to assist in promoting better personal hygiene, especially for those who have known GI issues within the department, and to help reduce the use/cost of toilet paper, especially at Station 85 where the plumbing is notoriously clogged. These models are cheaper than commercial bidets, and would allow a trial period before considering commercial models. This has been discussed with PW, who would be able to install.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Foreign Fire Tax Board - Regular Meeting - March 19, 2025

Minutes from March 19, 2025 were completed in MinuteTraq by Eric Jordan.

**- Approved by Voice Vote**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Loverher
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Adam Rothenberg
<b>AYES:</b>	Joseph Duer, Dale Abbinanti, Robert Loverher, Eric Jordan, Matt Webb, Adam Rothenberg
<b>NAYS:</b>	None

## V. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report provided by Treasurer Matt Webb

### - Approved by Voice Vote

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Loverher
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Eric Jordan
<b>AYES:</b>	Joseph Duer, Dale Abbinanti, Robert Loverher, Eric Jordan, Matt Webb, Adam Rothenberg
<b>NAYS:</b>	None

#### A. CURRENT BALANCE

\$276,060.19

#### B. SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

\$33,642.74

#### C. OUTSTANDING APPROVED ITEMS

\$19,984

#### D. OTHER ITEMS

#### E. AVAILABLE BALANCE

\$222,433.45

## VI. OLD BUSINESS

### A. LOGOS FOR STATIONS 81 & 85

FF Loverher is working to complete the FD Station Logo Project for Stations 81 & 85. FF Loverher has found a graphic designer who will help with creating the logos for around \$200.00 each, for a total of \$400.00. FF Loverher is requesting \$400.00 to complete the PFD Station Logo Designs.

**- Approved by Voice Vote**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Matt Webb
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Adam Rothenberg
<b>AYES:</b>	Joseph Duer, Dale Abbinanti, Robert Loverher, Eric Jordan, Matt Webb, Adam Rothenberg
<b>NAYS:</b>	None

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made to accept the New Business following the discussion of all the requests submitted and the outcome of those discussions regarding the approval or denial of the requests.

**- Approved by Voice Vote**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Adam Rothenberg
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Eric Jordan
<b>AYES:</b>	Joseph Duer, Dale Abbinanti, Robert Loverher, Eric Jordan, Matt Webb, Adam Rothenberg
<b>NAYS:</b>	None

**A. BLACKSTONE MATS**

Matt Webb requested the purchase of Blackstone Mats to be placed beneath the new Blackstone Griddles at each of the stations to help protect the surface beneath by catching the overflow of grease. The request was for up to \$200 to cover the cost of the Blackstone Mats. The motion to approve this request was deferred to the end of New Business, by President Abbinanti, to include all the discussions regarding each of the requests.

**B. COFFEE TRIAL**

FF/PM CT Garcia submitted a request to change the current coffee supply, purchased by FFTB, from the Kirkland Brand Medium Roast to Heady Cup Mushroom Coffee. FF/PM Rothenberg suggested that the coffee sampling shall be department wide and not just a single brand or single station or crew, and a survey of the overall preference of the department. FF/PM Rothenberg suggested several local coffee brewers, such as Conscious Cup, Metropolis, and Hansa Coffee, who might be able to offer a deal to the PFD. Discussion of cost increase from the current standing order was a concern. We currently go through approximately 700lbs of coffee a year. The general consensus was that any specialty coffee desired outside of the currently provided Kirkland brand can be supplemented through the cafeteria

plan, specific station house funds, or each company's kitty, if so desired. This request was denied, per President Abbinanti, with the option for FF/PM Garcia to resubmit with more supporting documentation and department survey.

C. 5G WI-FI UPGRADE

FF/PM CT Garcia submitted a request for 5G Cellular Wi-Fi Hotspots for each of the fire stations for use by firefighter members to access the internet in place of the current VOP-IT controlled VOP-BYOD Wi-Fi internet access points at each station, which are limited in bandwidth, speed, and duration of access, as members are frequently bumped off and have to re-sign-in numerous times over the course of a shift. FF/PM Rothenberg offered his expertise in the matter as an IT consultant, and explained that one issue is the limited cellular access within the fire stations would hinder the 5G cellular connection to the internet, and added that by funding through government means, such as FFTB funds, the technology would need to be controlled and secured by the VOP-IT, anyway. Chief Gratianna offered that Lt. Sullivan's new area of responsibility is the FD-IT Liaison, and recommended that the concerns of Wi-Fi and cellular access within the fire stations should be addressed with IT through Lt. Sullivan. Discussion turned to the possibility of boosting or improving cellular access within the fire stations, and suggestions that this could be considered either in meetings with VOP-IT or in a future FFTB request. Per President Abbinanti, this request is denied at this time with the plan to first bring these concerns to VOP-IT through Chief Gratianna and Lt. Sullivan.

E. PLUMBING/HYGIENE UPGRADE

As presented by FF/PM Z. Heiderman, FF/PM Garcia submitted a request for residential bidets for stations that have a residential toilet connection (i.e. Station 84 Bayfloor, Station 85) to help improve hygiene, reduce toilet paper or flushable wipe use, and minimize toilet clogging, especially for those FD members who suffer from GI and IBS issues. During discussion, concerns about sanitization and maintenance of the devices were expressed, ultimately leading to the request being denied.

F. MATTRESS TOPPERS & REIMBURSEMENT

Lt. Pepe requested mattress toppers for all stations that would help improve the current hard mattresses, and improve overall sleep quality at the stations. Discussion led to the proposal of covering the cost of six beds per station, for stations that do not have mattress toppers, not to exceed \$7000.00. BC Zimmerman's request for retroactive reimbursement for his personal mattress topper was denied.

G. PICTURE FRAME/STATION PRIDE

Lt. Pepe submitted a request for picture frames for all the FD Stations to replace old, broken, and outdated picture frames, and help to update the stations and improve pride and moral. Discussion led to the proposal of approving the funding to purchase frames and pictures for all the FD Stations, not to exceed \$1200.00.

D. CANCER TESTING

FF/PM CT Garcia submitted a request for a new blood cancer screening, known as the Galleri Test, for all FD members as a means of early cancer detection. FF/PM Rothenberg weighed in on the discussion, explaining that he had previously been considering this test for himself, but recently found that a three-year UK study that was fully funded was halted after just one year. While the results or reasons for the halting of the study have not been disclosed, it creates a lot of doubt about the validity of the Galleri Test. Other cancer screening tests were discussed as possible alternatives, but ultimately this request was decidedly tabled for future discussion and highly encouraging that the FFTB is in support of cancer screening for the FD members, just not fully sold on the Galleri Test.

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nothing Submitted.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

President Dale Abbinanti adjourned the meeting at 9:58 AM.



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SEPTEMBER 17, 2025 AT 8:30 AM**

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**MINUTES**

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**II. ROLL CALL**

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<b>ABSENT :</b>	
<b>ARRIVED :</b>	

Also Present: Fire Chief Scott Mackeben, Deputy Chief Matt Buzzard

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Following roll call, it was determined that the 9-17-2025 FFTB meeting was not official due to the fact that the minutes from the previous 6-18-2025 FFTB meeting and the 9-17-2025 FFTB Agenda had not been properly published. Although requests were discussed, no voting occurred, and all requests were deferred to a special meeting scheduled for 10-2-2025.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**IV. TREASURER'S REPORT**

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

President Dale Abbinanti adjourned the meeting at 9:18 AM.



**FTTB Treasurer Report September 11, 2025**

2025 starting balance: \$324,055.09  
 Current Account Balance: \$245,366.71

**Reserved Funds:**

Standing Orders \$10,460.41  
 School Support \$14,190  
 Pending approved items \$2,000

**Available Balance: \$218,716.30**

**Summary of Approved Items**

	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Actual cost</i>
<i>New kitchen range for 82 and 85</i>	<i>15,000</i>	<i>15,000</i>
<i>Station entertainment/games</i>	<i>1,500</i>	<i>1,439.80</i>
<i>Supplemental kitchen supplies</i>	<i>2,000</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Graphic designer</i>	<i>400</i>	<i>185</i>
<i>Blackstone Mats</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>179.95</i>
<i>Mattress toppers and covers</i>	<i>7,000</i>	<i>6,936</i>
<i>Frames and photos</i>	<i>1,200</i>	<i>659</i>

**School Support Summary**

\$20,000 Allocated YTD = \$5,810

**Standing Orders 2024 Summary (As of 6/4/2025) Spent**

- Cable TV (Comcast) \$3481
- Coffee \$2284
- Newspaper \$328.60
- Fitness Discretionary \$0
- TV Maintenance \$0
- Station beds/recliners \$2199.94
- Peloton subscriptions \$2640
- BBQ Grill \$0
- Retirement badges \$0

Total Spent YTD on Standing order Items: **\$10,935**

**9/11/2025**



**\*\*\* Please complete ALL 3 STEPS prior to submitting. \*\*\***

If you have questions or concerns about a potential request, seek out any member of the FFTB Board.



# PFD School/Seminar Requests 2025

Name	School/Seminar	Organization	Class Start Date	Fee	Required Class	Registered	School Notification	Submitted for Payment	OT for Backfill	OT for Attendance	Total Cost
Rudy Perocho	Fire & Life Safety Plan Review	BFCA	1/21/2025	\$990.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$990.00			\$ 990.00
Matt Buzzard	Training Program Manager	Illinois Fire Chiefs Assoc.	1/27/2025	\$475.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$475.00			\$ 475.00
Bret Nelson	Advanced Designated Infection Control Officer	Infect. Control Emerging Con.	1/27/2025	\$285.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$295.00		\$ 658.75	\$ 943.75
Matt Buzzard	MGT 440 Enhanced Sports and Special Events IM	TEEX	1/28/2025	\$0.00	No	Yes	No				\$ -
Rob Kluzek	MGT 440 Enhanced Sports and Special Events IM	TEEX	1/28/2025	\$0.00	No	Yes	No			\$ 2,314.70	\$ 2,314.70
Colin Turner	ERD Ice Diver	DJ's Scuba Locker	1/29/2025	\$350.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$350.00		\$ 920.57	\$ 1,270.57
Ryan Morales	ERD Ice Diver	DJ's Scuba Locker	1/29/2025	\$350.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$350.00		\$ 545.52	\$ 895.52
Eric Jordan	Al W Schlick III memorial training day	Huntley fire protection district	2/6/2025	\$33.85	No	Yes	Yes	\$33.85			\$ 33.85
Tony Graf	Ice Diver	Norther Illinois Dive Training	2/10/2025	\$275.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$275.00		\$ 1,056.95	\$ 1,331.95
Scott Hayden	Incident command essentials	ECC	2/26/2025	\$135.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$135.00			\$ 135.00
Chuck Zimmerman	Incident Command Essentials	ECC	2/26/2025	\$135.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$135.00			\$ 135.00
John Madrigal	FAE Class	AHTS Fire Academy	3/3/2025	\$650.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$650.00			\$ 650.00
Colin Turner	Rope Rescue Operations	Elevated Safety	3/3/2025	\$1,300.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1,300.00		\$ 2,113.89	\$ 3,413.89
Carl Garcia	Harper College CoFO	Harper College	3/3/2025	\$1,325.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$1,325.00			\$ 1,325.00
Eric Bajorek	Fire Service Instructor I	Harper College	3/3/2025	\$395.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$395.00		\$ 681.90	\$ 1,076.90
Zachary Heiderman	Fire Service Instructor I	Harper College	3/3/2025	\$395.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$395.00		\$ 136.38	\$ 531.38
Brandon Lefebvre	FD Health and Safety Officer	Illinois Fire Service Institute	3/3/2025	\$700.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$700.00		\$ 272.76	\$ 972.76
Dale Abbinanti	Hazmat Technician	NIPSTA	3/10/2025		No	Withdrawn	Yes				\$ -
Chris Farnsworth	Fire Officer Academy	Romeoville Fire Academy	3/10/2025	\$650.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$650.00		\$ 3,100.00	\$ 3,750.00
Jeff Sullivan	Fire Officer Academy	Romeoville Fire Academy	3/10/2025	\$650.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$650.00		\$ 3,100.00	\$ 3,750.00
Matthew Christensen	Company Officer Academy	Romeoville Fire Academy	3/10/2025		Yes	Yes-Waitlisted	Yes				\$ -
Robert Kluzek	Integrity in Investigations	ILCMA- Metro Managers	3/12/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ 35.00
Matt Buzzard	Integrity in Investigations	ILCMA- Metro Managers	3/12/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ 35.00
Kamil Ochal	Surface Water Operations	Elk Grove Fire Dept.	3/17/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Carl Garcia	SPRAT Rope Access	Elevated Safety	3/24/2025	\$1,650.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$1,650.00			\$ 1,650.00
Kevin Learch	Active Shooter Incident Management Advanced	Illinois Fire Service Institute	3/25/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Jacob Pepe	Active Shooter Incident Management Advanced	Illinois Fire Service Institute	3/25/2025		No	Yes	Yes			\$ 2,025.76	\$ 2,025.76
William Hildebrandt	Rope Operations	Elevated Safety	3/31/2025	\$1,300.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$1,300.00			\$ 1,300.00
Jason Grenier	Structural Collapse Operations	NIPSTA	3/31/2025	\$2,350.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$2,350.00		\$ 2,966.27	\$ 5,316.27
Robert Loverher	Structural Collapse Operations	NIPSTA	3/31/2025	\$2,350.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$2,350.00		\$ 2,966.27	\$ 5,316.27
Zachary Sandquist	Fire Service Instructor 2	Harper College	4/7/2025	\$395.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$395.00			\$ 395.00
Russ Cerny	Responding to Battery Electric Vehicle Fires	Illinois Fire Service Institute	4/9/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Eric Bajorek	HazMat IQ	MABAS1	4/9/2025		Yes	Yes	N/A			\$ 545.52	\$ 545.52
Nick Bratcher	HazMat IQ	MABAS 1	4/10/2025		Yes	Yes	N/A			\$ 545.52	\$ 545.52
Brian O'Mahoney	Fire Apparatus Engineer	Elgin Community College	4/14/2025	\$725.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$725.00			\$ 725.00
Dale Abbinanti	Hazardous Materials Technician	Illinois Fire Service Institute	4/21/2025		No	Yes-Pending	Yes				\$ -
Joseph Aichholzer	Incident Safety Officer	NIPSTA	4/21/2025	\$650.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$650.00		\$ 2,263.21	\$ 2,913.21
Anthony Lavacchi	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Matt Buzzard	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Pat Gratzanna	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Robert Kluzek	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Scott Mackeben	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Jeb Kaiser	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Michael Guzman	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Dave Gabel	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Seth ARGAST	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
JOE MUELLER	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$ -
Murphy Glenn	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025	\$55.20	No	Yes	Yes	\$55.20			\$ 55.20
Chris Farnsworth	MABAS Leadership Seminar	MABAS Division 1	4/23/2025	\$55.20	No	Yes	Yes	\$55.20			\$ 55.20
Joseph Beallis	Confined Space Ops	Elevated Safety/ NIPSTA	4/28/2025	\$1,400.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1,400.00		\$ 2,727.60	\$ 4,127.60
William Hildebrandt	Vehicle Machinery Technician	NIPSTA	4/28/2025	\$1,425.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$1,425.00			\$ 1,425.00
Michael Guzman	Vehicle Machinery Technician	NIPSTA	4/28/2025	\$1,425.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$1,425.00			\$ 1,425.00
Tony Graf	Swift Water 1 and 2	Dive Rescue International	4/29/2025	\$500.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$500.00		\$ 3,273.12	\$ 3,773.12
Brian Marek	Swift Water 1 and 2	Dive Rescue International	4/29/2025	\$500.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$500.00		\$ 3,358.36	\$ 3,858.36
Carl Garcia	Structural Collapse Technician	NIPSTA	5/5/2025	\$2,350.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$2,350.00		\$ 3,268.59	\$ 5,618.59
Matt Heiderman	Swift Water 2	Dive Rescue International	5/6/2025	\$250.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$250.00		\$ 1,670.66	\$ 1,920.66
Brian Stennett	Incident Safety Officer	Harper College	5/12/2025	\$395.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$395.00			\$ 395.00
Brian Pelletreau	Incident Safety Officer	Harper College	5/12/2025	\$395.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$395.00			\$ 395.00

Seth Argast	Confined Space Operations	Romeoville Fire Academy	5/12/2025	\$900.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$900.00	\$	2,727.60	\$	3,627.60
Zachary Perrone	Advanced Technician Firefighter	Romeoville Fire Academy	5/12/2025		Yes	Yes-Waitlisted	Yes				\$	-
Keith VonderHeide	ASIM/SSAVEIM	Illinois Fire Service Institute	5/29/2025		Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	1,526.88	\$	1,526.88
Adam Walsh	ASIM/SSAVEIM	Illinois Fire Service Institute	5/29/2025		Yes	Withdrawn	Yes				\$	-
Joe Aichholzer	ASIM/SSAVEIM	Illinois Fire Service Institute	5/29/2025		Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	1,578.93	\$	1,578.93
Jacob Pepe	ASIM/SSAVEIM	Illinois Fire Service Institute	5/29/2025		No	Yes-Waitlisted	Yes				\$	-
Stephen Jordan	BOF Academy	ECC	6/2/2025	\$1,444.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1,444.00			\$	1,444.00
Travis Wolthausen	Confined Space Technician	NIPSTA	6/2/2025		Yes	Withdrawn	No				\$	-
Zachary Perrone	Advanced Technician Firefighter	Elgin Community College	6/2/2025	\$725.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$725.00	\$	2,761.70	\$	3,486.70
Michael Bianca	Rope operations	NIPSTA	6/9/2025		No	Withdrawn	Yes				\$	-
Kris Bohnen	Rope Rescue Operations	NIPSTA	6/9/2025	\$1,300.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$1,300.00			\$	1,300.00
Ryan Morales	Rope Ops	Romeoville Fire Academy	6/9/2025		Yes	Yes-Waitlisted	Yes				\$	-
Matthew Christensen	FEMA L-105 Public Information Officer-Basics	FEMA	6/16/2025		Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	2,015.00	\$	2,015.00
Russ Cerny	Scott Safety SCBA Tech 2 one day recertification class	Scott Safety	6/25/2025		Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	272.76	\$	272.76
Goestch	Basic Operations Firefighter Academy	Romeoville Fire Academy	8/4/2025	\$3,900.00	Yes	Yes	Yes				\$	3,900.00
Brian Stennett	NAEMS Conference	NAEMS	8/4/2025	\$520.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$520.00			\$	520.00
Kris Bohnen	Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue	Romeoville Fire Academy	8/4/2025		Yes	Yes-Waitlisted	Yes				\$	-
Ryan Morales	Advanced SCBA	Romeoville Fire Academy	8/11/2025	\$450.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	450.00
RPM	Alternatively Fueled Vehicles	Ferretti Salvage	8/13/2025	\$5,189.41				\$5,189.41			\$	5,189.41
Kamil Ochal	Northern Illinois Dive Training	Northern Illinois Dive Training	8/16/2025	\$1,300.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$1,300.00			\$	1,300.00
Michael Bianca	Rope operations	Elevated Safety- NIPSTA	8/25/2025	\$1,300.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$1,300.00			\$	1,300.00
Joseph Beallis	Trench Ops	Romeoville Fire Academy	8/26/2025	\$950.00	Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	2,182.08	\$	3,132.08
Murphy Glenn	Smoke Divers	Illinois Fire Service Institute	9/3/2025	\$700.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	700.00
Zachary Perrone	Swift Water 1	North Central Water Rescue	9/5/2025	\$400.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	400.00
Brian O'Mahoney	DJ Scuba ERDI Academy Fall 2025	DJ's Scuba Locker	9/8/2025	\$2,670.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	2,670.00
Chandler Boyd	Rope Rescue	Elevated Safety	9/8/2025	\$1,300.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1,300.00	\$	2,182.08	\$	3,482.08
Michael Guzman	Collapse Operations	NIPSTA	9/22/2025	\$2,350.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	2,350.00
Michael Bianca	Collapse operations	NIPSTA	9/22/2025	\$2,350.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	2,350.00
Robert Kluzek	Mega-Warehouse Fire Seminar	NIFSAB	9/23/2025	\$0.00	No	Yes	Yes	N/A			\$	-
Jake Pepe	MEGA-WAREHOUSE SEMINAR	NIFSAB	9/23/2025	\$0.00	No	Yes	Yes	N/A			\$	-
Mitchell Zable	Confined Space Operations	NIPSTA	9/29/2025	\$1,400.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	1,400.00
Logan Mertes	BOF	NIPSTA	10/6/2025	\$5,495.00	Yes						\$	5,495.00
Travis Wolthausen	Confined Space Technician	NIPSTA	10/6/2025	\$1,400.00	Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	2,182.08	\$	3,582.08
Benjamin Bosco	Region 8 Trauma Symposium 2025	Region 8	10/9/2025	\$65.00	No	Yes	Yes	\$65.00			\$	65.00
Rudy Perocho	Youth Fire Setting Intervention Class	OSFM	10/15/2025	\$100.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$100.00	\$	1,091.04	\$	1,191.04
Robert Kluzek	ISO Grading Schedule	Schaumburg FD	10/16/2025		No	Yes	Yes				\$	-
Matthew Christensen	Company Officer Academy	Romeoville Fire Academy	10/20/2025	\$650.00	Yes	Yes-Waitlisted			\$	3,100.00	\$	3,750.00
Joe Jacober	Fire Department Incident Safety Officer	Harper College	10/20/2025	\$395.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	395.00
Zachary Lane	Fire Department Incident Safety Officer	Harper College	10/20/2025	\$395.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	395.00
Seth Argast	Structural Collapse Operations	Romeoville Fire Academy	10/20/2025	\$1,800.00	Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	2,727.60	\$	4,527.60
Murphy Glenn	Structural Collapse Operations	Romeoville Fire Academy	10/20/2025	\$1,800.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	1,800.00
Michael Bianca	Structural collapse operations	Romeoville Fire Academy	10/20/2025	\$1,800.00	No	Yes- Waitlisted	Yes				\$	1,800.00
Benjamin Bosco	EMS-Expo	EMS-World	10/20/2025		No	withdrew request					\$	-
Colin Turner	Truck Company Ops	Romeoville Fire Academy	10/21/2025	\$575.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	575.00
Chandler Boyd	Heavy Vehicle Rescue	Romeoville Fire Academy	10/27/2025	\$1,050.00	Yes	Yes- Waitlisted	Yes		\$	2,727.60	\$	3,777.60
Adam Walsh	Advanced Fire Officer	Romeoville Fire Academy	11/3/2025	\$1,800.00	Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	9,766.80	\$	11,566.80
Jason Grenier	Structural Collapse Technician	NIPSTA	11/10/2025	\$2,350.00	Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	2,727.60	\$	5,077.60
Robert Loverher	Structural Collapse Technician	NIPSTA	11/10/2025	\$2,350.00	Yes	Yes	Yes		\$	2,727.60	\$	5,077.60
Joseph Duer	Fire Life Safety Educator I Class	IFIA	11/10/2025	\$350.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	350.00
Adam Walsh	Advanced Fire Officer Phase 3	Romeoville Fire Academy	12/15/2025	\$500.00	No	Yes	Yes				\$	500.00
				\$79,287.66				\$41,417.66	\$	82,809.65	\$	162,167.31

PFD Budget
FFTB Funds
Non-Essential to Cancel

Total Cost Of Registered Classes	
Dept	\$ 51,000.00
FFTB	\$ 20,000.00
	\$ -
Remaining	\$ (8,287.66)

Total Submitted for Payment	
Dept	\$ 51,000.00
FFTB	\$ 20,000.00
	\$ -
Remaining FD Budget	\$ 9,582.34
Remaining Total Budget	\$ 29,582.34

2025 Rate	
FF	\$ 68.19
Lieutenant	\$ 77.50
Captain	\$ 81.39
BC	\$ 103.09

## Foreign Fire Tax Board Request Form

*Please complete this form in its entirety, electronically, and send to email group "FFTB" along with any quotes or supporting documentation.*

### Step 1)

Name: Matt Buzzard Date: 09/03/25

Request: Additional Funding to Support the Training Division's School Budget

Item Detail: *Include a breakdown of costs for multiple items, shipping costs, potential discounts or other funding sources, and whether costs are actual or approximate, etc. If attaching a quote, simply "see attached quote" is enough.*

I will attend the next meeting and bring the master spreadsheet of the current scheduled classes for the remainder of 2025.

Justification: *Explain the use and/or benefit this purchase would provide for our department or membership in general to justify the use of Foreign Fire Tax Board funding:*

The FFTB has annually supported the Training Division's budget with a standing \$20,000, bringing our total combined monies to \$70,000. This years Training Budget has been hit with two (2) late Fire Academy's totaling approx. \$9,400. These FA's have pushed the budget past the \$70,000 mark. The requested additional funding will cover current scheduled classes without the need to cancel non-essential classes. This request, if approved, will also reinforce the FFTB's already strong committment to PFD members' growth.

**Total Amount Requested:**

\$ \$ 15,000.00

I will attend the next FFTB meeting to present this request for consideration (optional).

Yes

No

*To ensure that requests meet the operational and administrative goals of the fire department, and that funds are not already allocated or available through a separate funding source, some requests require approval from the head of an area of responsibility and the fire department administration.*

**Step 2)** Has the head of the area of the responsibility approved this request?

Yes

No

N/A

Name: Division Chief Buzzard

**Step 3)** Has the FD administration approved this request?

Yes

No

N/A

Name: Chief Lavacchi

**\*\*\* Please complete ALL 3 STEPS prior to submitting. \*\*\***

If you have questions or concerns about a potential request, seek out any member of the FFTB Board.

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Request:

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Qty	Item #	Description	Unit Price USD	Ext. Price USD
1	R-WALL	CUSTOM 92"X44" BLACK ACRYLIC RETIREMENT WALL Color: SILVER SUBLIMATION PLATE 3"h X 3"w (2.75" SHOWING); Imprint: \$4 per plate to print with original plate - \$14 per plate to imprint future plates 4X8 WITH BEVEL EDGE - 15" COLOR ROUND LOGO RAISED AND VINYL LETTERING TOP AND BOTTOM 1/4" CHANNEL BOTTOM FOR LEANING PLATES FRENCH CLEATS FOR HANGING We can hold plates or fire department can hold plates 11 rows - 224 plates	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00
104	R-WALL	*Original Plates for CUSTOM 92"X44" BLACK ACRYLIC RETIREMENT WALL Color: SILVER SUBLIMATION PLATE 3"h X 3"w (2.75" SHOWING); Imprint: \$4 per plate to print with original plate - \$14 per plate to imprint future plates 126 DynaSub Extra Plates Delivered for New Retirements.	\$4.00	\$416.00

Justification: *Explain the use and/or benefit this purchase would provide for our department or membership in general to justify the use of Foreign Fire Tax Board funding:*

**Total Amount Requested:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend the next FFTB meeting to present this request for consideration (optional).

Yes                      No

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Name:

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