



Village of Downers Grove

Foreign Fire Insurance Tax Board (2%) – Agenda

Table 1 - Detailed information on this Board or Commission meeting.

Meeting Location	Downers Grove Fire Department Station 102
Meeting Address	5420 Main St., Downers Grove, IL 60515
Meeting Date	May 18, 2026 at 08:00 AM

Call to Order.

Roll Call.

Public Comments.

Approval of Minutes.

- April 20, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer's Report.

- April 2026 General Fund

Old Business.

- A. Outstanding Purchases
- B. Outstanding Projects
 1. EMS SIM Lab Update
 2. Equipment Checklist for New Guys
 3. Peloton Subscription Issue
 4. Radio Holsters

New Business.

- A. General Fund Requests
- B. Station Fund Requests

Public Comments.

Good of the Fund.

Adjournment.

Posted May 12th, 2026 by Ben Brown, Fund Secretary



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Call to Order.

801hrs by S. Markowski

Board Present.

Chief Spinazola, Lt. Meister, Lt. Kinney, Lt. S. Markowski FF/PM Brown, Bonsonto, Kairis

Board Absent.

None

Guests Present

Deputy Chief's Kocolowski, Pekelder, McGivney, Lt. Rietveld, FF/PM Covelli, Shaulis, Cassidy, Schrader, Thiessen

Public Comments.

There were none.

Approval of Minutes.

- March 16, 2026 – Motion by Spinazola, Second by Kairis
All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Treasurer's Report.

- March Fund Balance: \$404,411.47
- Total Bills: \$19,615.06
- Interest: \$150.93
- Widows Fund: \$50,000
- Ending Balance: \$434, 946.41

Motion by Spinazola, Second by Kairis

All in Favor. Motion Carries

Old Business.

- A. Station Exercise Equipment –
 - a. Peloton subscription has been renewed for \$528 total.
- B. Cancer Screening – Need to confirm with Nowak that this is paid up and complete.
- C. Station 105 Mattress Replacements – The two bed have been moved from 105 to 102. 105 and 102 is complete. Discussion was held on replacing Station 102 and 103 select comfort beds. A quote later in August/September will be obtained to proactively replace the beds.
- D. Radio Holsters – Quote was for \$7,000 from Boston Leather.
 - a. Discussion was that ETSB was reporting that the holster we were going to buy is regularly breaking.
 - b. Meister is looking into other options so that we do not buy a product

that will break regularly.

- c. Motorola APX NEXT XN is the radio model.
- E. EMS SIM Lab – Lt. Rietveld was present and discussed the EMS SIM Lab proposal .
- a. The vision is a dedicated area to have all the practical training items located in one place in town. An increase in hands on practical training for Good Sam and DG EMS.
 - b. New proposal was scaled back. It will include simulated living room, bedroom and ambulance. Cost Proposal initially was \$240K, new one is Approximately \$200k
 - c. Heavy Discussion was held regarding the plans, options and what would be the best course of action.
 - d. Discussion was held regarding doing a poll.
 - e. Motion by S. Markowski to start the RFP process for building out the EMS Sim Lab. Second by Meister.
 - i. All in Favor. Motion Carries.
 - ii. Discussion was held that Dan will put together a PPT to discuss what the RFP is going out for.
- F. New Guy List –
- a. Discussion was held to get quotes for 15 total of each items. Meister will work on that project.
- G. Tower Ladder Sign-
- a. Investigation was held on what caused the damage to the sign. It was unfounded. A replacement was \$5369.20. NTE \$6000
 - b. Fleet did look at and there was no way to fix it and they will need to replace it.

- c. Discussion was held regarding paying for vehicle repairs. Chief guaranteed it would not be a precedent setting purchase.
- d. Brown makes the motion to approve the request, Seconded by Kinney. 5 yes, 1 Nay, 1 abstain.

New Business.

A. General Fund Requests -

- 1. Request for mattress replacement at Station 102 – discussion was held that we will be replacing mattresses in the near future. NTE \$600
Request was not filled out properly, and did not include frame. Request was denied.

B. Purchase Requests

- 1. Admin – None
- 2. Station 101 – None
- 3. Station 102 – None
- 4. Station 103 – None
- 5. Station 105 – New Grill Cover NTE \$150 Motion by Meister, Second by S. Markowski. All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Good of the Fund.

- A. Discussion with fleet was held by Meister about salt Spreader they are willing to work with us. Cost would be about \$8,000. Chief Spinazola said further discussion was held with fleet and they didn't think that it would be a great idea.
- B. Ben will get admin rights to the calendar from Chief Pekelder

Public Comments.

- A. None

Next Meeting.

- May 18, 2026 | 8AM

Adjournment.

- A. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Bonsonto. Second by Spinazola at 0942hrs.
All in Favor. Motion Carries.