



Excelsior Fire District

Proudly serving the Communities of
Deephaven • Excelsior • Greenwood • Shorewood • Tonka Bay

24100 Smithtown Road, Shorewood, MN 55331

Fire Operating Committee Meeting

June 17, 2026 at 10:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE

Operating Committee Member Kristi Luger called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM

Present: Kristi Luger (Excelsior City Manager), and Marc Nevinski (Shorewood City Administrator), Max Peters (Tonka Bay City Administrator), Dan Madsen (Deephaven City Administrator), Tom Fletcher (Greenwood Mayor in the capacity of City Administrator), Interim Fire Chief Nate Bassinger

Absent: None

1. Approval of Agenda with additions 7c & 7d
Nevinski/Fletcher – Passed 5-0
2. Approval of Minutes – May
Luger/Nevinski – Passed 5-0
3. Approval of Bills – May
Nevinski/Fletcher – Passed 5-0
4. Budget Updates
2027 Budget – Discussion on bonding CIP for next 5-6 years of capital needs. Initial discussion with Kraus Anderson regarding project scope and cost.

Firefighter Pay – Discussion on firefighter pay increases for 2027 related to budget versus discussion with membership. Discussion at \$2/hr; initial 2027 budget presented at \$1/hr increase. Discussion concerning position to comparable cities rates, retention & recruitment, and budget impacts.
5. Administrative Reports – May
 - a. Responses and calls for service
Basinger reviewed a new report to provide more detail about response time and call typed with duty crew and all-call times. Discussion regarding fire investigation and point of contact.
6. Board meeting items
 - a. Next Fire Board meeting – Jun 24, 2026 – 6PM at EOC Station 1
7. Administrative Updates
 - a. Personnel and staffing
 - 43 members; expecting 3-5 fall retirements; working to get a recruit class in place in the fall.
 - b. Apparatus and stations
 - Ford Explorer Sold

- c. Discussion regarding May Board Meeting Minutes
 - d. Office Space discussion concerning locations, capacity, future capacity, and public facing considerations of moving the office manager desk location.
- 8. District Administrator Position.
 - a. The OC discussed job description including discussion regarding position purpose, interim timeline, reporting structure, and questions regarding relationships to the org structure, operating committee, metrics for success, and potential restricting of positions and responsibilities.
- 9. Next Meeting Date and Time
 - a. Wednesday July at 10:00AM
 - b. Motion by Luger/Nevinski to adjourn at 12:15PM