Centre Township Advisory Board Minutes

DATE	May 12, 2026
TIME	5:00 PM
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Tom Lindenman

IN ATTENDANCE

Trustee Judie Galloway, Chairman Tom Lindenman, Member Dave Vandewalle, Member Gail Figg, Chief Zach Mark, Clerk Keith Winger.

Firefighters: Andy Lawrence, Jacob Rutkowski, Kendall Pfost, Braxton Jones and David Sommers.

Residents: David Frick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of April 14, 2026, meeting were approved. The motion was made to approve minutes was Dave Vandewalle and seconded by Tom Lindenman.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The April Month Ending Reports were reviewed.
2. We're continuing to investigate other Health Insurance options, to see if there would be a better fit for our needs.
3. We're checking into the possibility of getting additional appropriations to meet needs.
4. The Indiana Bond Bank is another option for creating a bond for large expenditures.

OLD BUSINESS

1. We got a quote of $23,500 to clean out the retention pond and create a berm to resolve the water problem that we've had.
2. Wet insulation and drywall have been removed. They are letting it dry out completely. There has been no update, yet, whether any mold has been found.
3. We will continue to use the 2011 Ford F-550 as is. We continue to explore other options.
4. South Bend Fire will allow us to use their training facility. That will have to be coordinated with them.
5. The new treadmill is being used.
6. The Capital Needs list is being updated according to priorities, and we have been getting some quotes on those needs. The new floor scrubber is here and in use.
7. We are still looking to find who would be best to do the relocation of the Data Panel.
8. We're still clarifying the restrictions applying to the new digital sign before making the final decision on what to get.
9. We're also checking into the possibility of getting a pumper tanker.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

1. First Due is working well at present.
2. April runs were 80 with YTD at 353, 46 being medical.
3. No problems with the Fire Law Best Practices System handbook.
4. We're continuing doing the routine maintenance on all trucks.
5. We are losing one firefighter in June.
6. The Chief has talked to a couple of candidates, but no applications yet.
7. No new information regarding grants yet.

OTHER REPORTS

1. There is a retirement party for Denny Stump Sunday, May 17. The Union Representative would also like to meet to discuss budget requests.
2. IT has received new pucks to be installed in the Battalion and in Engine 42. The two new iPads have been received for use. We also have received a signal extender for use. We're also discussing updating the firewall.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2026, at 5 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 5:55 PM by Gail Figg, seconded by Dave Vandewalle and carried.