

Tri-River Police Training Region

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Tri-River Police Training Region Advisory Board Minutes of July 22, 2026 Meeting

The July 22, 2026 Tri-River Advisory Board meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m. by Chairman Brian Benton in the Community Room at the Plainfield Police Department, and a quorum of members and proxies was established.

Members in attendance:

Brennan Woods for Interim Chief Sean Koren
Sherrie Blackburn for Interim Chief Robert Brown
Chief Al Swinford
Ryan Dobczyk for Chief Edward Clark
Chief Eric Allen
Matt Brooks for Chief Adam Bogart
Chief Marc Reid
Chief Brian Benton
Brandon Tilton for Chief Micah Nuesse
William Garrison for Chief Ryan Gulli
Anthony Lazzaroni for Chief Scott Koerner
Anthony Novak for Chief Robert Miller
Chief Michael Imhof
Mimi Bejda for Chief Brandt Hromadka
Rick Onsen for Sheriff Ken Briley
Jim Sinovich for Chief Justin Meyer
Village of Channahon President Missey Schumacher
Mark Revis, Will County Board
Hilary Davis, ILETSB Representative

Members absent:

Chief Robert Dykstra
Chief Alicia Steffes
Chief Jason Barten
Chief John Arizzi
Chief Leanne Chelepis
Sheriff Mike Kelley
Chief Adam Zink

Others in attendance:

Jason Louthan, Mokena PD
Luke Ostreko, Plainfield PD
Bradley Hertzmann, Tri-River, Executive Director
John Perona, Tri-River, Police Training Coordinator
Becky Novak, Tri-River, Administrative Assistant

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APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Anthony Novak made a motion to approve the June 24, 2026 meeting minutes, seconded by Chief Reid and carried by all members present. Motion passed.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chief Arnold's retirement leaves our Personnel Committee Chairman position vacant. Chief Reid, already a member of this committee, has volunteered to take the Chairman's position. If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the Personnel Committee, we are looking to fill Chief Reid's old spot.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Chairman Benton went around the room for introductions and welcomed all to the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **PERSONNEL:**

No Report

- **FINANCE:**

Director Hertzmann reviewed the Financial Report dated 7/22/2026. A copy was distributed. (Report will be attached to these minutes to be archived)

July Highlights:

- Tri-River classes held: Women's Defensive Shooting Skills \$3,750.00
- IDOT Grant classes held: (0) \$0.00
- H.S. Grant classes held: (0) \$0.00
- ILETSB/CIT/SRO/LHI Grant classes held: (0) \$0.00
- FY26 Grant reimbursements: IDOT \$0.00, CIT/SRO/LHI \$1,292.22, HS \$10,000.00

- **POLICY AND BYLAWS:**

No Report

- **TRAINING:**

No Report

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OLD BUSINESS:

Tri-River Membership Dues for FY27

- We have been steadily receiving payments from our members. We sent out reminders earlier this month to those agencies who still haven't paid. Dues collected so far total \$214,280.00, with only 10 agencies remaining unpaid.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointment of New Secretary position on Advisory Board

- At last month's meeting, Matt Brooks volunteered to take the Secretary position on our Advisory Board. We received no other interest or volunteers. A motion was made by Missey Schumacher, seconded by Anthony Novak, and carried by all members present by roll call vote to approve the appointment of Matt Brooks to the Secretary position. Motion carried.

Approval of Records Disposal

- Records disposal had taken place just before Director Hertzmann took over. Our storage area was getting full, so Director Hertzmann looked into completing another disposal. He completed a destruction request with the Secretary of State, which was approved. (A copy was handed out to all members present.) A motion was made by Chief Allen and seconded by Sherrie Blackburn, to approve the disposal certificate as presented. Motion carried.

Contract with Records Disposal Company

- Director Hertzmann reached out to Vital Shred, a company recommended by Plainfield PD. They gave us an estimate of \$300.00 to destroy the documents listed on the disposal certificate.

Upcoming Training Schedule

- John Perona passed out a list of upcoming courses and reminded everyone new classes have been posted from August - October.
- He is looking for a school to use for ITOA Rapid Deployment RTF training. Lincolnway North is not currently available, as Disney filming is taking place. Monee PD told him they have a school that should work.
- The Women's Defensive Shooting Skills class was very well-received, and we are looking at scheduling a 2nd class when the Will County range becomes available to the instructors. Elwood PD volunteered the use of their range for the class. It was also suggested to hold a rifle course of this same nature.
- Justice for Your Wallet is not a retirement or investment course. It gives examples of steps to take throughout your career so you can successfully retire (how to be mortgage free, how to plan for college expenses, etc.). It will help officers make better decisions now to prevent having to work later in life.

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- Total payments \$36,343.93

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ADJOURNMENT:

Matt Brooks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mimi Bejda, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

Submitted by:

Transcribed by:

	
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Matt Brooks, Secretary, Advisory Board

Becky Novak, Administrative Assistant, Tri-River