

Sadorus Fire Protection District  
Champaign County, Illinois  
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### Report of 2024 Decennial Efficiency Committee

Pursuant to 50 ILCS 70/1 *et seq.* The Decennial Efficiency Committee of the Sadorus Fire Protection District respectfully submits this report to the Champaign County Board and County Executive.

A. On 10 May 2023 the Board of Trustees of the Sadorus Fire Protection District formed the committee required by 50 ILCS 70/10. The Committee was comprised of the members of the Board of Trustees of the District, the District's Fire Chief, and two residents of the District.

B. The Committee met on the following dates: 11 Sep 2024, 13 Nov 2024, and 11 Dec 2024. The meeting scheduled for 9 Oct 2024 was not held due to lack of quorum. All meetings were held pursuant to the notice requirements of 50 ILCS 70/20 and public input was solicited at each meeting of the committee. Meetings were conducted in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

C. In connection with its work, the committee examined or considered the following:

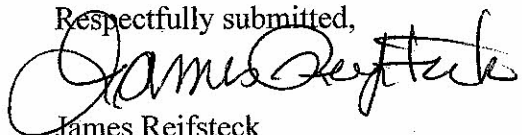
1. District Policies and Ordinances currently in effect and the laws which apply to the District such as the Illinois Fire Protection District Act.
2. The District's current fire department rating (ISO Rating) by the Insurance Services Office.
3. The District's compliance with IL-OSHA requirements (Illinois Department of Labor).
4. The District has been in compliance with the Annual Calendar and Checklist promulgated by the Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts for many years. Compliance is reviewed at every monthly Board of Trustees' meeting. Two Trustees have completed IAFFPD training.
5. The District's Budget and Appropriation Ordinances are filed annually with the Champaign County Clerk and can be accessed on the Clerk's website.
6. The District's real estate tax levy, tax extension, equalized assessed value (EAV), tax rate limits, and actual tax rates for the last three (3) years are on file with the Champaign County Clerk.
8. The District's call report for the current year:  
2024 - 58 Sadorus calls, 32 Ivesdale FPD calls per automatic mutual dispatch agreement
9. The District's physical facilities are relatively new, compared to surrounding Districts, and are deemed adequate to the District's needs.
10. The District's inventory of fire apparatus and equipment is deemed adequate to the District's needs.
11. The Sadorus municipal water supply has recently been improved by Illinois American Water.
12. The District has used METCAD dispatching for many years.
13. The District currently belongs to MABAS Division 28 and has had automatic mutual

dispatch with the Ivesdale Fire Protection District for more than 20 years. Mutual aid is provided from, and supplied to, neighboring Districts as needed.

D. After examining each of the foregoing areas, the Committee has determined that:

1. The District is providing the best firefighting and emergency service its taxpayers are willing to fund.
2. The District's areas of greatest strength and efficiency are its relatively new building and equipment and adequate real estate for training and for future building addition if needed.
3. The District's main area of weakness is the difficulty of recruiting and retaining personnel.
4. The District can best address this area of weakness by raising taxes to pay volunteers to attend training, respond to calls, and remain on the District roster long enough so that the District's investment in their training is recouped. Obtaining a tax increase is seen as extremely difficult. Thus this area of weakness is predicted to extend well into the future.

Respectfully submitted,



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