



Oak Creek Fire Protection District Board Meeting Minutes Jan 13th 2026

Call to order 6:32 pm

A meeting of Oak Creek Fire Protection District was held at 131 E Main Street Oak Creek CO on Jan 13th, 2026

Attendees

Attendees included David Park, President; Mike Roach, Secretary; Eric Kimsey, Treasurer- in person and Skyler McKinley, Vice President- via zoom

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included: Dwane Osadchuk, Director

Community Input

None

Agenda Modification Consideration

Addition- Board Education on the Colorado Wildfire Resiliency Code

Addition- Financials- Ambulance Funding- How & Where the money came from

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the following meetings were reviewed; two edits were corrected and approved as corrected:

Dec 9th, 2025

Dec 11th, 2025

Kevin Parent presented an updated site drawing for consideration to the Board and Fire Marshall. Discussion regarding the specifics of the code and the compliance that the new configuration presented, the Board and the Fire Marshall believed this would meet the requirements of the District. Mr. Parent was asked to resubmit the new plan to the County.

Financial Review

- Karrie Littman presented the Board with the current Financial Statements including details of revenues and expenses and status of deployment revenues received and yet to be received. After the representatives of the Medical Insurers of the District requested payment the Fire Billing Service paid the first and smallest of the bills for only \$40,000, leaving the remainder of the payments not paid and the AR is still growing, over \$919,000, so this is making the cash flow extremely difficult. Cash Flow forecast show that if they pay, the District will be fine, tight but okay. A conference call is scheduled on Wed 1/14 with the Senators Cutter & Roberts and Representative Lukens to ask for assistance in this horrible situation. The Board had a few more questions, and they were answered. The Board approved the financials.
- Ambulance Funding- Due to the extreme generosity of a donor of the District, we have been able to meet the deadline of the extension of the loan payback to the Yampa Valley Community Foundation. Very much appreciated! The donor normally donates quarterly to subsidize the housing for the District, the money received represents 2 years of future donations. In response to this, the rental payments will be deferred until April but must be made consistently and timely during the next 2 years.

New Fire Chief Recruitment

The job description has been sent to the attorney, and we are hoping to get this back so it can be ready for distribution next week. A Community Interview Committee will be set up to work through the process of selecting a new chief. The question was raised about the current financial condition and Karrie said by March when tax revenues begin the District will be fine to bring on the new chief.

Chief's Report

- Calls are back to normal levels for the District- there was a cardio call that Steamboat assisted with, but the patient did not make it. Sad day for the District.
- The crews have been working on getting all equipment moved from the older ambulance to the new one- 823. Registration is complete and now an inspection is scheduled to complete the onboarding, and the new ambulance will be ready to roll.

- Fire Fighter Morgan Olufsen has been working on a Firefighter Disease and Safety Prevention grant that will assist in the success of the Academy that the County Districts are working on. This grant will assist in the purchase of the hard goods for the academy.
- The stockpile of fireworks that was acquired from Steamboat Springs has been donated to 4th of July Fireworks Show and stored at the State Park.
- The District has been able to sell firewood, that came from the mitigation projects this fall to the local citizen for a discounted rate of \$260- not split. Thank you, Jeremy and the crews.
- Mitigation & Deployments: The District has received 28 applicants for the 2026 Wildland Division. There may be 3-4 slots filled currently with returning fire fighters.
- With the lack of snowfall, the burn days in the District have been minimal.
- The District will be bringing in Nate Carranza for CPR training on the 21st. the public is welcome.
- Moffat County has contacted the District again regarding the status of the title for the engine that was sold last year. The payment to clear the title is promised as soon as the FBS payments begin to arrive. They said the County Attorney is aware of the situation.
- There was discussion of the implementation of the Colorado Wildfire Resiliency Code, which must be adopted by April 1 and enforced by July 1. This is to standardize the code throughout the County. This is mandated by the State. The Board will vote on it at the next meeting.
- Currently, the District has a Type 6 engine and the Tender on the Board and ready to deploy. There was discussion that if we cannot pay for the expenses up front and the FBS is not paying, can we send them out.

Director's Highs & Lows

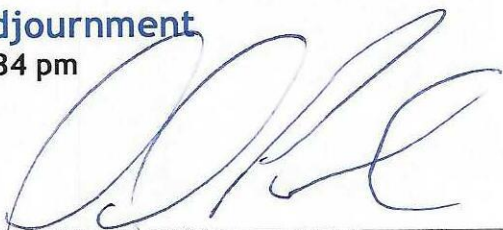
- David Park said the High for the Directors was when the District received the donation to cover the shortfall of funds to pay the loan back to the Yampa Valley Community Foundation. Faith in Humanity has been restored. Thank you Mr. Donor!

Next Meeting

- Feb 10th, 2025, Regular Meeting

Adjournment

7:34 pm



President- David Park

02/10/2026

Date of approval