



Oak Creek Fire Protection District Board Meeting Minutes May 12th 2026

Call to order 6:30 pm

A meeting of Oak Creek Fire Protection District was held at 131 E Main Street Oak Creek CO on May 12th, 2026

Attendees

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

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included: Dwane Osadchuk, Director

Community Input

None

Agenda Modification Consideration

None

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the following meeting were reviewed and approved:

Regular Board Meetings:

April 14th, 2026

Financial Review

- Karrie Littman presented the Board with the current Financial Statements including details of revenues and expenses and status of property tax revenues received.

- The property tax revenue payment of May was received today, and this enable a large portion, \$200,000 to be placed in the Colo Trust account for later in the year so if cash flow becomes an issue we may be able to circumvent it.
- The Impact Fees account is currently at \$21,000 with \$98,000 in receivables.
- The payments have been sent to Municipal Asset Management as directed by the Board last month and the next payment due at the end of May has also been sent. There were a few questions from the board and Karrie answered those.

New Fire Chief Recruitment

The Board has sent an offer letter to Gary Gula, and he is waiting to accept until after he has secured housing. The Board anticipates this to occur this week.

Chief's Report

- Calls are above the normal levels for the District for this time of year. If this trend continues the volume will reach over 300 for 2026. There was a car fire in the canyon that the structure and wildland crews responded to, we assisted in a CPR call in Yampa Fire District and the District did cover the YFD while their ambulance was out.
- The District and Firefighter Olufsen has been conducting a Fire Academy with the other Districts of the County. It began on April 6th and will be ongoing for 12 weeks. This is also good for building relationships with the other Districts in the County and also in Moffat County. Our FF Jeremy Blalock is attending and doing very well. Our FF Lazano was doing so well and then injured his ACL and will still take the written test but will need to retake the Academy at a later time. Thank you Morgan!
- The Special District Assoc has been awarded to the District in the amount of \$3,000 for a great safety record last year and this will go to Helmets.
- The CDFPC Safety & Disease Prevention Grant was awarded for \$19K which will go to the purchase of Bunker Gear.
- The Grant reimbursement for the Ambulance Buildout has not been received yet; Capt. Reilly continues to be on that task.
- No Deployment are going on at this time, but the Wildland crews are hired and in their Critical 80 training at this time. Capt. Fretwell has declined the hiring of the Engine Boss he had in the queue and has opted to use the crew he has currently.
- The Town Burn Pile has been burned successfully. Thank you.
- The Type 3 engines and the man camp were inspected by Ritchie Bros this week.
- David Park inserted that SPOA has authorized Savatree to bring their 16" Chipper in to take care of the chipping. The Association will still contract with the District for some burning that is yet to be determined.
- Capt Shephard introduced Scott Pavlakovic to the Board. Scott is our newest member of the Structure crew and comes to us with an abundance of experience. Welcome aboard Scott

Director's Highs & Lows

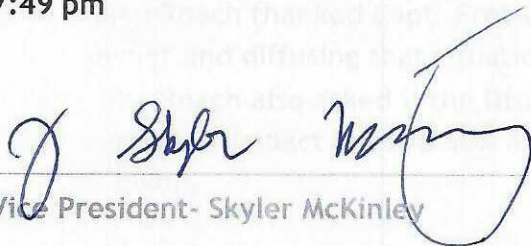
- President Park said the High for the Directors-
- His time on the Board has been a good time, very rewarding and educational.
- His low point is that he will be transitioning off the Board as he and his wife are moving to Tenn. He still owns his property in Stagecoach and will stay on the Board to see the new members installed.
- Kenyon Shephard gave a warm Thank you to David for his service on the Board.
- Mike Roach thanked Capt. Fretwell for his communication with the Colt Trail property owner and diffusing that situation.
- Mike Roach also asked if the District could look into changing the requirements of the receipt of Impact Fees to 50% at the time the permit is pulled and 50% at the time the CO is given.

Next Meeting

- June 9th, 2026, Regular Meeting

Adjournment

7:49 pm


Vice President- Skyler McKinley

6/9/2026
Date of approval