



Oak Creek Fire Protection District Board Meeting Minutes Sept 9th 2025

Call to order 6:40 pm

A meeting of **Oak Creek Fire Protection District** was held at **131 E Main Street Oak Creek CO** on **Sept 9, 2025**

Attendees

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

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included: - **Dwayne Osadchuk, Member**

Community Input

Member of the District- Does the Board have a plan?- The Board responded that the budget is in progress and that will dictate the plan for the future.

Agenda Modification Consideration-

Add an Executive Session

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the following meetings were reviewed and approved:

Aug 12th, 2025

Financial Review

- **Karrie Littman** presented the Board with the current Financial Statements including details of revenues and expenses and status of property tax and deployment revenues received and yet to be received. The payments from the Fire Billing Service have slowed

to a snail's crawl so this is making the cash flow difficult. The Board had a few more questions, and they were answered. The Board approved the financials.

- **Ambulance Funding-** The Yampa Valley Community Foundation has received 4 donations amounting to \$750 and the account has earned interest. The Board is looking to reach out to Municipal Asset Management to begin the process to secure a \$160K long term loan for the Ambulance. The decals and radio should be in soon, which is needed for the \$125K grant and that deadline is in October. The fundraising effort needs to begin now that the decals and radios are close to being to complete.
- **Oak Creek Housing-** The current lease will expire at the end of Oct. A house has been secured at a substantial saving each month. This will keep presence in Oak Creek.
- **Surplus Equipment Sales-** There's an offer on the table for the Type 3 engines and crew carrier. The Board discussed the options and ramifications for the sale and decided to pass on the offer. The Board instructed the Interim Fire Chief to list only the specified vehicles on Garage.com. Dwayne is working with Ritchie Bros to sell the man camp.
- **2026 Budget-**The Finance Committee will be meeting to work through the draft budget that Karrie will be preparing. Then this draft will be presented to the Board at the meeting scheduled for Oct 14th. A Budget workshop will be scheduled at that time. The Board did express wishes to see the Structure and Wildland separately.

Chief's Report

- **The Fire Restrictions for Routt County will be lowered to Stage 1 tonight.**
- **Crew & Calls:** Interim Fire Chief Shephard reported that the Pagen Biker Rally was very quiet. There was two mutual aid responses with Yampa last month.
- **Mitigation & Deployments:** The Crews were able to remained deployed to the Crosho Fire from the start to finish. The deployments to Plumas CA have continued and it is expected that this will continue for the season. Captain Hohnbaum is also in CA on another roll. There was a roll that included a couple of members of the Steamboat Springs Fire which was good for improving relationships on that side of the county. Shephard is in line to go on the next roll to Plumas and the Board gave their okay for this to occur. On the Mitigation side, the crews have been working on a chipping contract with the Routt County Mitigation Council and finishing up on a local contract. David Park stated that SPOA will have a contract for the District on the mitigation work for the Association.
- **Dispatch Fees-** There will be a meeting with the Fire Chiefs and the Routt County Commissioners to dispute the new dispatch fee structure on the 29th of September.

Director's Highs & Lows

- The Board thanked the District for participating in the Oak Creek Labor Day Celebration and Dwayne Osadchuk for the donation of the Bison Burger that was served. The goal of Public Relations and Ambulance Funding Awareness was achieved.
- The next event is the Soroco Homecoming Chili Cookoff- which should be fun to join in.
- Low- Would be the Ambulance Funding- very concerning

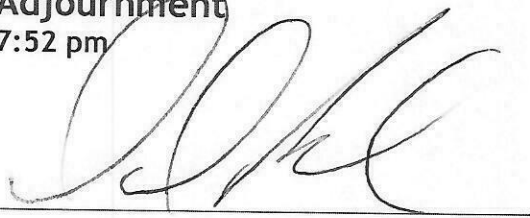
Executive Session

- None

Next Meeting

Oct 10th 2025

Adjournment
7:52 pm



President- David Park

10/14/2025

Date of approval