



# Oak Creek Fire Protection District Board Meeting Minutes Feb 11 2025

**Call to order 6:44 pm**

A meeting of Oak Creek Fire Protection District was held at 131 E Main Street Oak Creek CO on Feb 11, 2025

## **Attendees**

Attendees included David Park, President; Mike Roach, Secretary; Eric Kimsey, Member; Skyler McKinley, Member (via Zoom)

## **Members not in attendance**

Members not in attendance included: Dwayne Osadchuk, Member.

## **Approval of minutes**

The minutes of the following meetings were reviewed and approved as written:

Jan 14, 2024

## **Financial Review**

Karrie Littman presented the Board with the current Financial Statements including details of revenues that have been received and deployment revenues yet to be received. The State has paid some sporadically, but the amount owed is still over \$500,000. The State has recognized the hardship they are causing and has begun implementing a somewhat streamlined process going forward. This comes as welcome news for the outstanding receivables and the upcoming season.

The Board had a few more questions, and they were answered. The Board approved the financials.

The Board reviewed and discussed the amendment and resolution to amend the bylaws to include the section adopting the impact fees for the District.

Motion to adopt the Impact fee addendum to the board of Directors Bylaws of the Oak Creek Fire Protection District as to be read and adopted via resolution. Seconded. Motion passed

## Elections

The Appointment of the Designated Election Official was read with Karrie Littman as the appointment. A motion was made, seconded and passed.

The Resolution of the 2025 Regular District Election was read and motion was made, seconded and approved. The election will take place on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, with 2 Director seats open which is a 4 year commitment

## Auditor Engagement Letter

The Board approved contracting with Totten & Co. for the annual audit of the Fire District.

## Fire Camp

Chief Glauthier reported Discovery has now all the information needed to move forward on the SUP. The next items needed are finding contractors for the dirt work, gravel and hookups this spring. Mike Roach reiterated that the permitting process needs to begin as soon as possible.

## New Fire Station

Chief Glauthier reported that Oz Architecture has prepared a quote for the design and project management of the Oak Creek station at \$300K and the remodel of the Stagecoach station at \$600K. This is being reviewed currently.

The IRS has expedited the approval request for the District 501(c)4 status.

## New Equipment

The Chief updated the Board on the Ambulance that is being built for the District. This will begin soon with 2 factory visits. The EMTS grant is through the first phase of approval and a waiver to lower the match from 50% to 10% has been submitted. The district has budgeted the 50% match in 2025. The cost of the Ambulance is \$260K with equipment needed at \$140K

Fire Trucks- There was much discussion regarding the purchase of a Type 1 Pierce 4 x 4 Engine from Vail for \$70K. To assist with the purchase, the District will be selling their Engine 812 to Yampa Fire District for \$60K. The District will also be selling a Wildland Engine to the Bison Ridge Sioux Tribe in South Dakota for \$15K. A motion was made, seconded and passed.

## Chief's Report

- Crew & Calls: The Chief reported that the call volume but did have a walk in cardiac this week. Dan Shaughnessy has completed his Colorado certifications and has been promoted to Captain- Congratulations!! Captain Reilley has also been promoted to the new Fire Marshall position - Congratulations!! The District has two new resident firefighters on

board, both living in Oak Creek and ready to respond, both have completed their EMT certifications. One other firefighter will be taking his EMT courses in March and then two of them will go to Academy in the Fall in Louisiana.

- **Mitigation & Deployments:** The district has a shift in priorities for the upcoming fire season, in that no mitigation contracts will be gone after, and this will allow for pro bono projects or smaller community projects within the District. There is a Wildland Captain returning and the crews are fully staffed. The equipment is in good shape for the season. The District joined the CO Strike Force to combat the fires in Palisades in CA. This was a portal-to-portal assignment. The Minnesota prescribed burn deployment has been in contact and expecting to deploy March/April. This was not in the budget.
- **Impact Fees** have begun. The District has not seen any new permits pulled in the District.
- **Save Haven- Fire Stations-** There was some discussion regarding the responsibilities of the District as a Safe Haven for newborns. More research is to be done.
- The District will continue to provide Zoom links to the Board meetings and will have available a form online to fill out to gain access to the meeting.

## Community Input

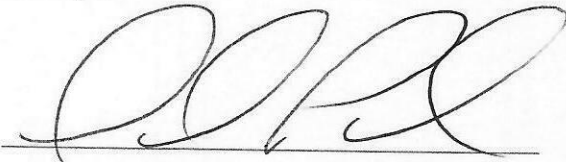
There was none.

## Next Meeting

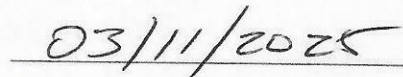
March 11<sup>th</sup> 2025

## Adjournment

8:11 pm



President- David Park



Date of approval