

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting

January 27, 2026

Chairman Brown called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake City Area Fire Protection District to order at 6:00 p.m. in the fire station. Those Directors present were: Greg Levine, Evan Milski, Gene Polenske, and Jim Rowe.

Also present were: Justin Thompson, Fire Chief; R. E. Hall, Chief Engineer/Facilities Manager; Michelle Pierce, Secretary; and firefighters Joel Collins and Nathan Wuest.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Director Rowe moved, Director Levine seconded to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2025 regular meeting as circulated. The motion passed with all voting yes in a general vote.

BILLS PAYABLE

Director Milski moved, Director Rowe seconded to approve payment of the bills as circulated. The motion passed with all voting yes in a general vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Director Rowe moved, Director Levine seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending December 31, 2025 as circulated. The motion passed with all voting yes in a general vote.

QUARTERLY BUDGET REPORT

The Directors reviewed the budget report for the 4th quarter of 2025.

FIREFIGHTER INCIDENT RESPONSE & TRAINING LOGS – 4th Quarter 2025

The Directors reviewed the firefighter incident response and training logs for the 4th Quarter of 2025

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

The Directors read the report submitted by Fire Chief Thompson (see file).

CHIEF ENGINEER & FACILITIES MANAGER REPORT

The Directors read the report submitted by Chief Engineer/Facilities Manager Hall (see file).

SECRETARY REPORT

The Directors read the report submitted by Secretary Pierce (see file).

The Directors agreed that attorney David Reed should be consulted regarding appropriate personnel policies for the District and directed Secretary Pierce to do so.

2025 BUDGET - Resolution No. 1, Series 2026 to Amend 2025 Budget

Secretary Pierce stated that she had received no comments in response to the publication of the proposed budget amendment either verbally or in writing.

Director Milski moved, Director Rowe seconded to adopt Resolution No. 1, Series 2026 appropriating additional sums of money in the amount of \$10,000 to defray expenses in excess of amounts budgeted for the General Fund for 2025. The motion passed with all voting yes in a general vote.

PERSONNEL – 2026 Salary for Secretary

Director Polenske moved, Director Rowe seconded to authorize an annual salary of \$30,000 for the District secretary effective January 1, 2026. The motion passed with all voting yes in a general vote.

EQUIPMENT – Proposed Purchase of Hinsdale County Sheriff’s Office Ford Expeditions

Chief Thompson stated that the Hinsdale County Sheriff's Office is offering two 2008 Ford Expeditions for sale to the Fire Protection District at a price of \$2,500 each. Chief Thompson stated that these vehicles could be used to respond quickly to minor incidents, reduce response times by as much as half, as well as travel to attend training sessions and out-of-town meetings.

There was some discussion regarding transfers of title, bills of sale, obtaining insurance, return on investment, etc.

Director Rowe moved, Director Milski seconded to authorize the purchase of two 2008 Ford Expeditions from Hinsdale County at a total cost of \$5,000. The motion passed with all voting yes in a general vote.

FIRE STATION – Proposals for Boiler Repair/Replacement

The Directors reviewed two proposals from RK Plumbing Solutions LLC. One in the amount of \$1,656.46 to replace the motherboard and expansion tank on the station boiler and one in the amount of \$12,980 to replace the boiler with new pumps, controls, piping and wiring.

Chief Engineer Hall stated that he and RK Plumbing Solutions LLC were recommending the replacement of the motherboard and expansion tank first to buy some time before full replacement was needed.

Director Milski moved, Director Polenske seconded to accept the proposal from RK Plumbing Solutions LLC in the amount of \$1,656.46 to replace the motherboard and expansion tank on the station boiler. The motion passed with all voting yes in a general vote.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – Procurement Policy Example, Hinsdale County

The Directors reviewed Hinsdale County’s procurement policy. Secretary Pierce recommended that the District adopt a formal procurement policy prior to proceeding with any major repair work or possible expansion to the fire station. She noted that the Hinsdale County policy was a good example of what such a policy would look like.

After some discussion, the Directors directed Secretary Pierce to consult with attorney David Reed regarding an appropriate procurement policy for the District.

The Directors also asked Chief Engineer Hall to proceed with obtaining engineered plans to enlarge the station’s engine bay doors.

FIREMEN’S PENSION FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Report on Status of Funds

The Directors reviewed the 3rd quarter allocation report received from the Fire & Police Pension Association.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

<u>BILLS PAYABLE TO AND FOR:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUND</u>
Blue Spruce Building Materials – Reflector, Caution Tape, Door Stop	\$ 20.75	Gen.
Gunnison County Electric Association – Electricity, includes cap. refund	110.17	Gen.
Gunnison/Hinsdale Combined – 2026 Dispatch User Fees	17,282.00	Gen.
Hinsdale County Clerk & Recorder – Balance of Coordinated Election Fee	964.00	Gen.
JC Propane – Balance Due on Account, Pre-buy Exhausted	175.08	Gen.
Lake City Auto – Fuse	7.54	Gen.
Mastercard – Batteries, Cell Phone, Tow Chain, Badges, Training Books, Tools, Fire Marshal Training Registration	1,546.89	Gen.
Monty’s Auto Parts – Core Return, Air Filters	50.23	Gen.
Monty’s Auto Parts – Air Filter	67.63	Gen.
Monty’s Auto Parts – Air Filter Returns	-131.23	Gen.
Monty’s Auto Parts – Carb Cleaner, Bar Lube, Batteries	63.74	Gen.
Peak Alarm Co., Inc. – Fire Alarm Monitoring	90.69	Gen.
Special District Association of Colorado – 2026 Dues	730.17	Gen.
Streamline – Website Maintenance & Support	100.00	Gen.
Town of Lake City – Water & Sewer	226.00	Gen.
Utah’s Inc. – Dumpster Yardage	70.00	Gen.
Visionary Broadband – Broadband Internet	148.01	Gen.
Ben Walker – Training Stipend	125.00	Gen.
Evan Milski – Training Stipend	125.00	Gen.
Greg Levine - Training Stipend	125.00	Gen.
Jared Sledge - Training Stipend	200.00	Gen.
Joel Collins - Training Stipend	275.00	Gen.

Lannea Walker - Training Stipend	100.00	Gen.
Matt Jones - Training Stipend	175.00	Gen.
Mike Carson – Training Stipend	375.00	Gen.
Mike Ralph – Training Stipend	175.00	Gen.
Nathan Wuest - Training Stipend	175.00	Gen.
Willy Merfeld – Training Stipend	175.00	Gen.
Evan Milski – Incident Response Stipend	25.00	Gen.
Jared Sledge – Incident Response Stipend	25.00	Gen.
Matt Jones – Incident Response Stipend	25.00	Gen.
Mike Carson – Incident Response Stipend	25.00	Gen.
Mike Ralph – Incident Response Stipend	75.00	Gen.
Nathan Wuest – Incident Response Stipend	50.00	Gen.
Willy Merfeld – Incident Response Stipend	25.00	Gen.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director Milski moved, Director Polenske seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:55 p.m., but to meet again at the regular meeting on February 24, 2026. The motion passed with all voting yes in a general vote.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary