

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PAGOSA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

August 5, 2026

The regular meeting of the Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, August 5, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the District's administrative offices, 165 N. Pagosa Blvd., Pagosa Springs, Colorado. Except for executive sessions, the Board meetings are open to the public.

Call to Order

Chairman Lattin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance

- LeRoy Lattin, Chairman/President
- Jim Prutsman, Vice President
- Linda Lattin, Secretary/Treasurer
- Jim Martin, Director
- Terri House, Director (via Zoom)

Staff Present

- Chief Robert Bertram
- Deputy Chief Macht
- District Manager Bliss

Legal Counsel

- Attorney Dino Ross (via Zoom)

Approval or Adjustments to the Agenda

Following review, Secretary/Treasurer Lattin moved to approve the agenda as presented. Director Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

Chairman Lattin opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

Review and Approval of Minutes

A. July 7, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Following review, Director House moved to approve the July 7, 2026 regular Board meeting minutes as presented. Secretary/Treasurer Lattin seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

A. Annual Review of the Employment Agreement with Chief Robert Bertram

Following discussion, the consensus of the Board was that Director House will confirm with Attorney Ross the appropriate evaluation template and will distribute it to the Board. She will be responsible for collating the individual Board member ratings and comments. She requested that the individual evaluations be completed and returned to her by August 18. She will send the collated document to Attorney Ross by August 25.

New Business

A. Appointment of the 2027 Budget Officer

Following discussion, Director Prutsman moved to appoint Chief Robert Bertram as the 2027 Budget Officer. Director Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

A. Attorney Report

Attorney Ross stated that he had nothing to add to his written attorneys' report provided in the Board packet.

B. Financial Report

District Manager Bliss reviewed the financial report, check register, and wildland billing summary included in the Board packet. The total balance across all accounts was reported as \$5,609,537.32.

C. Deputy Chief Report

Deputy Chief Macht reported that the District had responded to 654 calls for service as of August 5, 2026, as reflected in the Board packet. He also mentioned that the Res Hill Ruck event will take place to commemorate 9/11.

D. Staff Reports

1. **Fire Prevention:** Chief Bertram presented the Fire Prevention report included in the Board packet.

2. **Chief Report**

Chief Bertram reported on his continued work with the Prevention Division and discussed participation in community meetings and events. In addition, Chief Bertram highlighted the upcoming Instructor I class and the beginning of the 2027 budget process.

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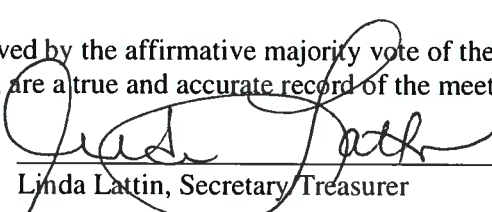
Secretary/Treasurer Lattin expressed appreciation to those who helped represent the District at the Archuleta County Fair, as well as to the agencies and firefighters working on the Rio Blanco Fire. She also encouraged reaching out to Board members when there is a need for volunteers.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Lattin adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

APPROVAL:

The foregoing minutes, which have been approved by the affirmative majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Pagosa Fire Protection District, are a true and accurate record of the meeting held on the date stated above.


Linda Lattin, Secretary/Treasurer

9/1/26
Date