

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

April 7, 2026

The regular meeting of the Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, April 7, 2026 following the regular meeting of the Pagosa Fire Protection District Volunteer Firefighters Pension Fund Board of Trustees. 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 5:50 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance

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

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. President Lattin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

Chairman Lattin opened the floor for public comment; there was none.

Review and Approval of Minutes

March 3, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Following review, Director Martin moved to approve the March 3, 2026 regular Board meeting minutes as presented. Director House seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

None.

New Business

A. Consideration of Purchasing a UTV for Wildland Operations

Chief Bertram presented a request to purchase a UTV for use in wildland and daily operations. He explained that the unit would be outfitted with an 80-gallon tank. Additionally, the District plans to implement a Rapid Extraction Module Support (REMS) Team, for which this apparatus is required. The base cost of the UTV is \$43,000. With the addition of skids, the total cost would be \$63,000. Board discussion followed.

Vice President Prutsman moved to approve \$63,000 for the purchase of a UTV for wildland and firefighter operations. Director Martin seconded the motion.

The motion carried with Directors Jim Prutsman, Jim Martin, Terri House, and LeRoy Lattin voting "Aye," and Director Linda Lattin voting "Nay."

Reports

Attorney Report

Attorney Ross reviewed the attorneys' report provided in the Board packet and provided an overview of the legislation currently before the Colorado legislature that could or will affect the District.

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 \$5,174,076.20.

Deputy Chief Report

Deputy Chief Macht reported 239 calls for service as of April 2, 2026, as reflected in the Board packet.

Staff Reports

Fire Prevention: Chief Bertram presented the Fire Prevention Report included in the Board packet.

Chief Report

Chief Bertram reviewed the Chief's report included in the Board packet.

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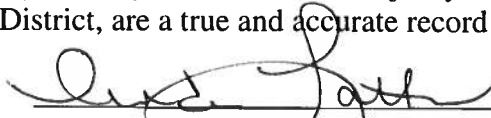
Chief Bertram stated that he is looking forward to seeing everyone at the Membership Appreciation Dinner on Friday, April 17, 2026.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Lattin adjourned the meeting at 6:59 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

5/12/24
Date