



Durango Fire Protection District

Minutes of the DFPD Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 24, 2026, 8:00 a.m. | 103 Sheppard Dr, Durango, CO. 81301

Call to Order

President Karen Barger called to order the meeting of the Durango Fire Protection District Board of Directors at 8:02 a.m.

Roll Call

Board members present: Karen Barger (President), Rob Farino, John Dezendorf, Samantha Gallagher, Tina McCallum, Legal Counsel Bud Smith

Board members absent: Lyle McKnight (excused), David Stokes (unexcused)

DFR Staff members present include Chief Randy Black, Deputy Chief Michael Krupa, HR Director Megan Kunch, Fire Marshal Stephen Rinaldi, EMS Chief Scott Sholes, Stephanie Dressen, Finance Director Eric Baker, Battalion Chief Drew Duvall, HR Generalist/Executive Assistant taking Meeting Minutes for the Board Meeting Taylor Arnold

Agenda

No other additions, deletions or revisions.

A motion was made by Tina McCallum to approve the agenda, seconded Samantha Gallagher. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

- January 27th regular board meeting minutes –

A motion was made by Samantha Gallagher to approve the minutes, seconded by Tina McCallum. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Announcements/Presentations

No announcements or presentations.

Reports

Chief Report:

- Fire Chief Randy Black reported on the following:
- Station 2 loan
- Station 4 update
- Remodel of station 1 and 15
- Trucks
 - Ladder in April
 - Engine in September
- Ambulance is in production
- Programming
 - Growth of department
 - Organization chart options for expansion
- Wildfire update
- Personnel update

Oral Report: Legal Counsel, Bud Smith

- Exclusion petitions will be coming in the upcoming months

Written Report: Finance Director, Eric Baker

- January report received by the Board.

Written Report: Fire Marshal, Stephen Rinaldi

- Report received by the Board.

New Business

1. Consideration and possible action on Resolution 2026-2
 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DURANGO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF THE OFFICIAL INTENT OF THE BOARD TO REIMBURSE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR STATION NO. 4 MADE PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF SPECIFIC FINANCING FOR THE PROJECT

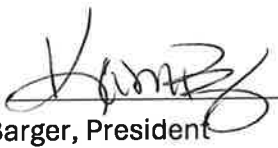
Samantha Gallagher made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Tina McCallum. Approved unanimously.

Old Business

No old business.

Adjournment

President Karen Barger adjourned at 8:39 a.m.

Signed: 
Karen Barger, President

Date: 3/24/2026

Attest: 
Taylor Arnold, Executive Assistant & HR Generalist

