

RECORD OF MINUTES
Elk Creek Fire Protection District
Regular Board Meeting
September 26, 2024, In person and via Zoom

Call to Order at 6:03 PM

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Elk Creek Fire Protection District (ECFPD) was called to order by President Greg Pixley at 6:03 p.m. on Thursday, September 26, 2024. The meeting was held in both physical attendance and via Zoom virtual meeting pursuant to statutory notice.

Presentation of Colors by our new Honor Guard for ECFPD

Pledge of Allegiance

A Moment of Silence for Fallen Responders

Awards

There was a presentation of an award to a citizen for Civilian courage and Life safety award (a First for ECFPD) and the Phoenix Lifesaving Award to Ryan Smith.

Roll Call of Board Members

In physical attendance were President Greg Pixley, Treasurer Sharon Woods, Vice President Dominique Devaney, Secretary Melissa Baker and Director Chuck Newby.

Agenda

The agenda was reviewed by all Board members in attendance. No additions or deletions were made to the agenda. Agenda accepted as presented.

Public Comment Period

A citizen expressed concern over the vote on Resolution No 2024-09 and shared a Statement of Opposition to "Elk Creek FPD Resolution NO 2024-09 Resolution and Order of Exclusion".

Additional citizens expressed support for the districts working together, a need for unification, appreciation for the courage of Chiefs Shirlaw, Rogers and Ware for requesting the modification to the IGA between the districts and support for the Resolution before the board tonight for unification. There was excitement for the position it puts the community in for applying for grants as a larger fire district.

One Citizen from White Deer Valley HOA did not support the unification and felt the Resolution was not supported by the Special District act. The White Deer Valley HOA had petitioned to be included in West Metro fire District rather than part of the new unified district.

There was concern over the Resolution for unification citing the Triton report, which included language that the District would need more income. Citizens expressed a preference for the board to focus on how to recruit more volunteers.

Citizens who provided public comment include Neil Whitehead III, Jon Peligren, Al Leo, Phillip Koch, Katie Rothman, Kathleen Nunan, Mark Behner, Steve Gulliman, Amy Burnette, Jody Wagner, and Andy Fulham.

Minutes of the August Board Meeting

A Motion was made to accept the minutes as written by Vice President Dominique Devaney. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Sharon Woods. The motion passes unanimously.

Financial Matters

Treasurer Sharon Woods clarified that the numbers were run for the financial reports on September 4th. The reports in the Board packet were run a couple of weeks later so the numbers vary due to the timeline.

A motion to approve the District's August expenses was made by Treasurer Sharon Woods and seconded by Vice President Dominique Devaney. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information on the monthly financial activities of the district is contained within the Treasurer's Report and is on file with the District.

Chiefs Report

Chief Ware shared a written that is included in the Board packet that gives an update on call volume, average response time, incident summary, training, and prevention. Information on the full report is contained within the Chiefs Report and is on file with the district.

The Chief shared the preliminary budget is underway. Preliminary numbers from Jeffco & Park counties show a flat budget for 2025. A report on mutual aid was also provided. We are continuing the trend of receiving more mutual aid from neighboring Districts than we provide.

The Chief's report also included a report from Wildland. Chipping program continues. 1,115 cubic yards have been chipped to date, higher than last year's numbers and we are only three-quarters of the way through the year.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Pre-Consolidation Intergovernmental Agreement

Motion made by Vice President Dominique Devaney and seconded by Treasurer Sharon Woods. There was discussion on the motion.

Public Hearing date will be November 21

Director Chuck Newby presented a Statement of Opposition

The question was called by Vice president Dominique Devaney.

Vice President Dominique Devaney made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-09 and Order of Exclusion. Treasurer Sharon Woods seconded the motion. There was a clarification that approval moves this resolution to public hearing.

Yays - Dom, Sharon, Melissa
Nays -Chuck

The motion was approved.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time the meeting a motion was made by Vice President Dominique Devaney and seconded by Treasurer Sharon Woods to adjourn at 7:36 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Greg Pixley - President



Melissa Baker - Secretary