

**CASCADE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES
September 12, 2024**

Commissioner Larry Scarborough called the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District to order at 5:29 p.m. at the 109 East Pine Street Fire Station.

The following Cascade Rural Fire Protection District officials were present: Commissioner Larry Scarborough, Commissioner LaDawn Saxton, Commissioner Mike Arnold, Fire Chief Steven Hull, and Secretary / Treasurer Pam DeChambeau.

Larry Scarborough reported the Valley Countywide Emergency Medical Services District Contract for Use of Services and Equipment is going to be reviewed at this meeting, not approved as stated on the agenda. Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the agenda as revised, and Larry Scarborough seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Larry Scarborough made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2024 regular, and the August 28 special Commissioner's meetings, and Mike Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Larry Scarborough made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of the bills dated September 12, 2024, and Mike Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Steven Hull reported on waiting for Attorney Bill Gigray to update the fire protection services agreement to include a service fee on new construction when a fire protection services agreement is requested. Reported on inspecting Thunder Mountain Burgers kitchen hood suppression system for fire code compliance and reported the system needs upgraded. Reported on the estimate from Triple M Refrigeration to replace the three heating and air conditioning systems this Fall at the 109 East Pine Street station in the amount of \$29,000.

Steven Hull reporting for Keri Rueth reported the Valley Countywide EMS District will hold a permanent levy increase election in November. Reported on revising for review the Medical Supervision Plan for Cascade, Donnelly, and McCall Fire Districts for providing emergency medical services. Reported on reviewing and updating the emergency medical services protocols for Cascade, Donnelly, and McCall Fire Districts for providing emergency medical services. Reported on the work completed by the communication specialist hired to promote the Valley Countywide EMS District permanent levy increase election in November.

NEW BUSINESS:

Steven Hull reported thirty-nine (39) incidents for the month of August 2024 and reported the average for August is forty-eight (48). Steven Hull reported on the wildfires in the area over the last six weeks. Reported on meetings each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday with the wildfire incident management teams for activity updates, closures, and evacuations. Reported on the three community meetings held at the fire station. Reported an update on the ability to travel on Warm Lake Road. Reported West Mountain evacuated residents were allowed to return home this morning.

Steven Hull reporting for Keri Rueth reported the Valley Countywide EMS District Contract for Use of Services and Equipment from October 1 to September 30, 2025 was distributed for review and comments. Discussed ambulance EMS and transport fees to be billed by the Fire District and to be paid to the Valley Countywide EMS District, and reported the Valley Countywide EMS District will make final determination to determine uncollectible ambulance EMS and transport fees. Reported on Valley Countywide EMS District proposed ambulance EMS and transport fees.

Larry Scarborough reported on the Occupational Safety and Health Association and the U. S. Fire Administration working together to revise emergency response standards to one hundred percent ban search and rescue volunteers and to have local fire departments be responsible for search and rescue operations.

There being no further business, the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela J. DeChambeau
Secretary/Treasurer

Approved:



Larry V. Scarborough
Chairperson