

**CASCADE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES
September 11, 2025**

Larry Scarborough called the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District to order at 5:31 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, Secretary / Treasurer Pam DeChambeau, and an excused absence for Deputy Chief Keri Sayers.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

LaDawn Saxton made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2025 regular and the August 27, 2025 special Commissioner's meetings, and Larry Scarborough seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Steven Hull explained that Attorney Bill Gigray's payment relates to an Idaho Falls case where a group opposes Impact Fees. Reported each of Gigray's Impact Fee clients contributes to fund the case, which could help establish case law if the issue spreads across Idaho. Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented and authorize payment of the bills dated September 11, 2025, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Steven Hull reported on receipt of a \$5,000 Stibnite Foundation grant that was submitted for building a forcible entry prop for training. Reported the draft Joint Services Agreement for McCall Captain Ryan Garber to conduct subdivision plan fire code reviews and propane reviews received from Valley County Planning and Zoning for Cascade Fire, and for Deputy Chief Keri Sayers to assist McCall Fire Chief Mike Bertrand with tracking emergency medical services licensures and training will be on the next regular meeting agenda Thursday, October 9, 2025 for approval.

Steven Hull, reporting for Keri Sayers, reviewed the estimated settlement calculation for the State of Idaho Ground Emergency Medical Transportation Services Supplemental Payment Program and Medicaid Cost Report and reported the average cost per the GEMT transport is \$1,457.10 and an estimated settlement payment of \$10,991.

Mike Arnold reported the City of Cascade Council Members approved the ordinance to repeal Chapter 2 of Title 6 of the Cascade City Code which provides for a City Fire Department, as recommended by Attorney William Gigray.

Steven Hull reported on attending the 9/11 ceremony at Kelly's Whitewater Park, organized by the American Legion with Cascade School students (grades 9-12) present to honor and remember the victims and heroes of September 11, 2001. Reported 52 incidents in August 2025 and reported the average is 49. Reported on completion of the hiring process of three

Firefighters / Paramedics that start next week. Reported on the oral interview, physical ability test, and medical assessment patient care test ran. Reported Parker Dial, Jim Williams, and Charles Amico were hired and all have fire experience. Reported Medic 1 hit a deer near mile marker 97 damaging the left front fender and is still drivable. Reported the accident has been reported to insurance and was approved for repairs. Reported August 16 the First Responder Softball Game was held, Guns verses Hoses, and the Hoses won.

Steven Hull, reporting for Keri Sayers, stated the Personnel Policy Manual with updates will be emailed to the Commissioners to review. Reported no Valley Countywide EMS District Commissioner meeting in September, a Valley Countywide EMS District Ad-Hoc Committee meeting September 22, and a quality improvement / quality assurance meeting with Medical Director Curt Meske September 22. Reported on needing to pay for four Kelly Days (24 hours each) not used due to the transition to the new 53-hour weekly pay schedule implemented this year.

Steven Hull provided a budget update regarding the early hiring of three new Firefighters / Paramedics, noting that their wages will be paid from this fiscal year for a few weeks. The overall budget total will remain unchanged; funds will be reallocated from the capital improvement expense line item to the wage line item. Mike Arnold made a motion to approve a line item budget adjustment for 2024-2025 from capital improvement moneys to gross wages and payroll taxes and pension plan, the dollar amount to be determined at a later date, and Larry Scarborough seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to enter into the Out of District Services Contract to provide fire and life protection services located at 9648 Packer John Road for Clayne and Pat Hicks for the period September 11, 2025 to December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$2,961.80, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela J. DeChambeau
Secretary/Treasurer

Approved:



Larry V. Scarborough
Chair