

**CASCADE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES
March 13, 2025**

Larry Scarborough called the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District to order at 5:34 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, Emergency Medical Services Director Keri Rueth, and Secretary / Treasurer Pam DeChambeau.

Larry Scarborough made a motion to approve the agenda as written, and Mike Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2025 special Commissioner's meeting, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Larry Scarborough made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of the bills dated March 13, 2025, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried

Steven Hull reported on the Out of District Services Contract prepared for 9701 Highway 55, the Valley County building used as a warming hut and the snow groomer garage.

Keri Rueth reported on meeting with Steven Hull, Cascade Medical Center, and three members from Perpetua Resources about providing ambulance service to Perpetua Resources at the Stibnite Mine. Reported on Perpetua wanting an advanced life support ambulance, a mobile response van, a paramedic, and an emergency medical technician starting July 2025. Discussed advanced funding needed to onboard employees, the process of purchasing the equipment, and having the ability to respond off the mine site to an emergency incident in the area. Reported on the training held on the Lifepak 35 monitor / defibrillator that will be demoed for the next sixty days.

Steven Hull reported twenty-three (23) incidents for the month of February 2025. Reported on a single wide trailer kitchen fire that the homeowner extinguished before arriving on scene. Reported on the plans to add two bedrooms upstairs at the 109 East Pine Street fire station in the approximate estimated amount of \$50,000. Reported on the new website provider, Streamline. Reported on the Idaho Fire Chiefs Association statewide campaign to recruit volunteers and on the open house event this Saturday from 10 to 2 for volunteer recruitment at the 109 East Pine Street fire station. Reported on Gavin Courtney's presentation to Renaissance High School students in Meridian about a career in firefighting and emergency medical services, and the volunteer opportunities.

Keri Rueth reported the State of Idaho Emergency Medical Services agency ambulance license was renewed effective April 30, 2025 to April 30, 2026. Reported on submitting a Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation grant for a rescue truck. Reported on working on an Idaho Bureau of Emergency Medical Services grant for new monitors / defibrillators.

The policy for donation of vacation leave and/or sick leave was reviewed. Larry Scarborough made a motion to accept the draft of the donation of time policy, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The amendment to the Blue Cross of Idaho contract for the delivery of and payment for healthcare services was reviewed. Keri Rueth reported on the new increased amounts paid for reimbursement for healthcare services. Larry Scarborough made a motion to approve the amendment to the Blue Cross of Idaho contract for the delivery of and payment for healthcare services, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Steven Hull reported on the agreement for services with First Due, the charting software used for fire and emergency medical services reports. Larry Scarborough made a motion to approve the Agreement for Services with First Due reporting software in the amount of \$10,100 for year one, and Mike Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Larry Scarborough made a motion to enter executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (b), and Mike Arnold seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Larry Scarborough, aye; LaDawn Saxton, aye; Mike Arnold, aye. Motion carried. The executive session was held at 6:05 p.m. to consider personnel matters. Larry Scarborough made a motion to exit the executive session, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Roll call vote: LaDawn Saxton, aye; Mike Arnold, aye; Larry Scarborough, aye. Motion carried. Executive session ended at 6:30 p.m. No decisions were made in the executive session.

There being no further business, the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela J. DeChambeau
Secretary/Treasurer

Approved:



Larry V. Scarborough
Chair