

**Falcon Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting
July 15, 2026, Approved Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER

Director Reid called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 1500 hours on Wednesday, July 15, 2026.

ATTENDANCE

James Reid, President
Edward (Steve) Podoll, Secretary
Ray Hawkins, Treasurer
Dan Kupferer, Assistant Secretary – via conference call

ALSO PRESENT

Joan Fritsche, Legal Counsel
Trent Harwig, Fire Chief, Falcon Fire Protection District
Jeff Petersma, Deputy Chief, Falcon Fire Protection District
Jonathan Webb, EMS Division Chief, Falcon Fire Protection District
Joe Cosgrove, Battalion Chief, Falcon Fire Protection District
David Smith, Battalion Chief, Falcon Fire Protection District
Curtis Kauffman, Fire Marshal, Falcon Fire Protection District
Rob Wilkerson, Fleet Mechanic, Falcon Fire Protection District
Twyla Kuemmerle, Administrative Assistant, Falcon Fire Protection District
Jonathan Huang, New Falcon Herald
Other members of the Falcon Fire Protection District

ABSENT

Thomas Kerby, Vice President
Corey Kirt, Battalion Chief, Falcon Fire Protection District
Gretchen Tetzlaff, Office Manager, Falcon Fire Protection District

Director Hawkins moved to excuse Director Kerby's absence. Director Podoll seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Podoll moved to approve the agenda. Director Hawkins seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Fire Fighter Zane Jackson was sworn in by Chief Harwig and badged by his wife Makayla Jackson.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Director Hawkins moved to approve the June 17, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Director Podoll seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Chief Harwig reviewed June's Treasurer's Report with the Board. The Chief noted 50% of the 2026 fiscal year is complete in this Report.

Total General Fund Budget revenues received were 40%. Total General Fund expenditures across all categories were 49% of the budget.

The Ambulance Fund Budget transport fee collections were at 45%. Total expenditures were at 40%.

The Capital Improvement Fund revenues received were at 49%. The Total Capital Improvement Fund expenditures were at 41%. Chief Harwig advised the Board that the District completed the final payment on the tactical tender.

The Rural Water Fund Revenues had no activity or expenditure for the month of June. Total Rural Water Fund expenditures were at 0% of budget.

Director Hawkins moved to accept June's Treasurer's Report. Director Podoll seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

Staff Report

Deputy Chief Petersma reviewed the written reports for May which included the May incident counts of approximately 319 calls and monthly and year-to-date response times, mutual aid given and mutual aid received. Year to date, the District is at 1750 total calls, response times, mutual aid given and mutual aid received.

EMS Division Chief Webb reviewed the June Transport Reports with the Board and advised that the crews transported 124 patients for the month, and the District collected \$130,990.88 for the month of June. The Cash Per Trip was \$885.07. The Total Patient Count year to date was 845 transports with annual collections of \$599,298.04. Year to date Average Collections per transport was \$709.23. Average

Collections per transport over the past 24 months including the Medicaid supplemental reimbursement are currently at \$819.31.

Fire Marshal Kauffman provided a written Plan and Building Inspection Report for June for the Board's Review.

Attorney Report

Attorney Fritsche provided a written Attorney's Report to the Board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Training Center Site

Chief Harwig reported that preliminary building layouts had been received and stated that, after reviewing the layouts, he would contact LDC and Strategic Site Design with any changes. He further advised that the location request is scheduled to be heard by the Planning Board next month, 31 days after the request was submitted. If the request is not heard within 30 days, it will be automatically approved. Chief Harwig agreed to meet with the Planning Board on Thursday, July 16, 2026, not as an official agenda item, but to review the location request. Director Kupferer suggested several minor revisions to the driveway access from Meridian Sol Drive and easement removals along Meridian Road and Swingline Drive.

Wildfire Resiliency Code

Chief Harwig reported that he, Fire Marshal Kauffman, and Director Reid have met several additional times with the State Representative to discuss development of a plan for implementing the proposed map changes. He stated that, based on the District's review and ground-truthing efforts, the District's rating would likely be reduced from moderate to low. The District would prefer that the maps accurately reflect that rating. Director Reid advised the Board that a representative from the Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control will return to address administration regarding this matter.

NEW BUSINESS

Review and consider conditional approval of 2025 Audit.

Chief Harwig advised the Board that the 2025 Audit is complete, however, the in-house auditor needs to complete their review of the final product. A draft of the audit was presented to the Board for their review.

Director Hawkins moved to approve the 2025 Audit subject to final internal review by the auditor. Director Podell seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Hawkins moved to adjourn the Board meeting. Director Podoll seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1524 hours.

I hereby attest to the accuracy of the meeting Minutes:

Edward Podoll, Secretary