

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
STERLING RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

Held: Monday, October 21, 2024, at 7:00 pm at Edwards Ave Sterling, CO

Board Members Present: Stan Kaiser, Mike Mills, Darren Luft, Wes Pollart, Gary Nelson

Others Present: Chief Dan Wiebers, Jared Davis, Kathy Hradecky

Board Members/Others Excused: Chief Lavon Ritter, Robert Blake

The meeting was called to order at 6:57 pm by Stan Kaiser, Chairman, with a quorum present.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Minutes from the Regular Meeting

Darren Luft moved (2nd Mike Mills) to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on September 16, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Matters

Gary Nelson moved (2nd Wes Pollart) to approve the unaudited financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2024, and the expenditures for October 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

Management Items

Ford 6x6 Chassis

The Ford is currently at TBC with all extras stripped from the chassis. Chief Ritter has offered to store it outside at the training Center. Mike Mills moved ((2nd Wes Pollart) to take the Ford 6x6 to South Platte Auto for diagnosis of the engine. The motion passed unanimously. Mike Mills will set up the appointment.

Property Tax Legislation Overview

Kathy Hradecky, Secretary to the Board, provided an overview of the changes in the property tax legislation passed during the special session. Additional information can be found on the SDA website.

2025 Budget Proposal Draft

Mike Mills moved (2nd Wes Pollart) to approve the 2025 budget draft. The motion passed unanimously. The public meeting will be Monday, November 18 with the final budget resolution approved in December.

Website Preview

Kathy Hradecky provided a preview of the new website. The site will go live November 19 with time to make additional changes.

Informational Items

Merino Volunteer Fire Department Chief's Report

Chief Wiebers reported that all work on the new Squad 25 is complete, and it is in service. Work on the Willard truck is still in progress.

Sterling Fire Department Chief's Report

Chief Ritter was absent due to illness.

Director Reports

There were no reports or questions from the directors.

The next regular meeting is Monday, November 18, 2024, at 6:00 pm.

Executive Session

At 7:48 pm, Darren Luft moved (2nd Mike Mills) to convene into Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(f) for the purpose of discussing a letter from a Sterling fire fighter.

There being no further discussion and no action to report in open session, the meeting was adjourned from the executive session at 8:25 pm.

The foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes.

Secretary

The foregoing minutes were approved on the **18th** day of **November** 2024.