

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF STRATMOOR HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors for the Stratmoor Hills Fire Protection District was held pursuant to notice at 3:55 p.m. on May 20, 2026.

Board Members present: President Robert Colgrove, Vice-President John Willcox, Director Richard Dull, Director Doug Dieterle and Secretary/Treasurer Richard Bond.

District Personnel present: Fire Chief David Haley and Administrative Chief Dottie Barrett. Audience guests: Chris Banta with Hoelting and Company and Sean Bolduc.

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

It was moved and seconded (Dull/Bond) to approve the regular Board meeting minutes for April 15, 2026. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting.

Approval of Agenda

It was moved and seconded (Willcox/Bond) to approve the agenda as published. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting.

Public Comment

Unfinished Business

New and Miscellaneous Business:

2025 Audit Report

Chris Banta of Hoelting & Company gave the Board a synopsis of the 2025 audit findings and stated that the District personnel did a great job, and the Fire District had a clean audit. All Board members were presented with a copy of the Audit that will be sent to the state Auditor. It was moved and seconded (Dull/Bond) to accept the 2025 audit as presented and authorize the report to be filed with the State Auditor. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting.

Fire Chief Report

- Status reports
 - C.A.N. Report – (see attached informational sheet)
 - Apparatus - (responsibility assigned to – D/E Patalano)
 - Training (responsibility assigned to – Chief Haley)
 - Inspections (responsibility assigned to – Mark Stanwood)
 - Recruiting (responsibility assigned to – Chief Haley)
 - Gear (responsibility assigned to – FF/EMT Allison)
 - EMS (responsibility assigned to D/E Bosch)
 - Wildland (responsibility assigned to D/E Scott)

Administrative Chief Report

- Informed the Board that The Special District Association's Annual meeting is back in person and will be held on Monday, June 15, 2026, only in the morning hours at the Fountain Sanitation District. It is the Fire Department's turn to pay for the meeting and the Board members will need to let Dottie Barrett know if you plan to attend.

Election of Board Officers

At this time, the Board needs to elect a President/Chairperson, Vice President/Chairperson, and Secretary / Treasurer of the Board of Directors.

It was moved and seconded (Colgrove/ Dieterle)

to elect Richard Dull as President

to elect John Willcox as Vice President

to elect Richard Bond as Secretary / Treasurer

of the Board of Directors. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting.

Fire Chief 3-month residency study conclusion

At the January 29, 2026, Special Board meeting; the Board agreed to allow a three (3) month study for Fire Chief Haley to use the department vehicle for daily travel to and from his home in Black Forest. The three (3) month study consisted of analyzing the fuel, mileage and Fire department call responses that Chief Haley would respond to after hours. That study concluded on April 29, 2026, and now the Board and Chief Haley need to discuss the results. Chief Haley provided a spreadsheet of the mileage, gas consumption and calls he needed to respond to for the Board and some discussion took place, however, no decision was made regarding the residency requirements.

V-1 Volunteer Membership Requirements Policy Update

Chief Haley informed the Board at the April Board meeting that BC Pickett and Lt. Pickett worked on this updated Volunteer Membership Requirements Policy to include stringent training hours required for all volunteers. It was moved and seconded (Willcox/Dull) to approve the V-1 Volunteer Membership Requirements Policy update on the second and final reading. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting.

D-10 Wildland Response Policy Update

Chief Haley informed the Board at the April Board meeting that he and Wildland Coordinator Paul Scott have updated this policy to reflect a better understanding of how the Wildland Deployments will work. It was moved and seconded (Willcox/Bond) to approve D-10 Wildland Response Policy Update on the second and final reading. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting.

Possible purchase of used Fire Truck

Chief Haley informed the Board that due to Engine 410's pump and Engine 414's mechanical problems he has been exploring the options of purchasing a good used Fire Truck as a reserve. Chief Haley presented three (3) trucks that he has personally tested, drove and pumped on and will be looking at two (2) more on Thursday, May 21, 2026, in Fort Lupton. Chief Haley will continue to keep the Board informed on the status of purchasing a truck. Chief Haley is looking at selling Engine 410 to help with the cost of the used Fire Truck.

Financial Reports

The April 2026 check register where the taxes and employee retirement (Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT)) payments are highlighted was enclosed for the Directors' review. Chief Barrett informed the Board that the State has approved and paid out all of the Wildland Deployments from 2025. It was moved and seconded (Dull/Bond) to approve the financial reports as presented for the District for the month of April 2026, subject to audit. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting. Copies of the financial reports are attached to these minutes and made a part hereof.

VII. Executive Session

Other Business:

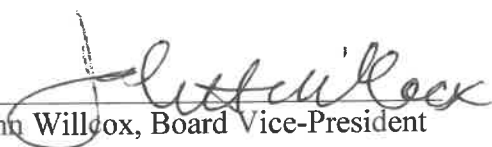
- Director Dull inquired about a "rumor" he heard regarding the crews responding to a South Group call and SOCO responded as well, however, the crew on duty did not get released upon SOCO's arrival. Chief Haley informed the Board of the events and he stated that spoke to the Deputy Chief of the department that had the incident and will get clarification as to why the on-duty crew was not released to return to the Fire District. Chief Haley will continue to monitor how SOCO works with the department on South Group calls.

Adjournment

It was noted that the next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting would be held at 3:00 p.m. on June 17, 2026, at 2160 B Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

As there was no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm. (Dull/Bond).


Robert Colgrove, Board Director


John Willcox, Board Vice-President


Richard Bond, Secretary/Treasurer


Richard Dull, Board President


Doug Dieterle, Board Director