

MONUMENT FIRE DISTRICT

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MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date/Time: January 22, 2025, 4:30 pm

LOCATION: Fire Station 1, 18650 Hwy 105, Monument

- I. Pledge of Allegiance**
- II. Roll Call – Present: Smaldino, Kelly, Buckingham, Hildebrandt, Garrett.**
Excused: Estes and Gunderman.
- III. Approval of Agenda.** Hildebrandt made the motion to approve the agenda with a second from Kelly. Motion passed 5-0.
- IV. Approval of Minutes**
 - i. Minutes – December 4, 2024. Kelly made the motion to approve December 4, 2024, minutes with a second from Hildebrandt. Motion passed 5-0.
 - ii. Minutes- Special Meeting December 5, 2024, Donald Wescott Fire Protection District final meeting. Kelly made the motion to approve the final minutes of the Special Meeting on December 5, 2025, for Donald Wescott Fire Protection District with a second from Buckingham. Motion passed 5-0.
- V. Financial Report**
 - i. Financial Report - November 2024. Hildebrandt made the motion to approve the November 2024 financial report with a second from Buckingham. Motion passed 5-0.
 - ii. Financial Report - December 2024. Hildebrandt made the motion to approve the December 2024 financial report with a second from Buckingham. Motion passed 5-0.
- VI. Items not on the agenda – Board/Citizen/Staff Comment**
(Individuals will be kept to a 3-minute time limit.). Smaldino requested to review the Fire Chiefs contract at the February meeting. Smaldino thanked the crew for assistance with his mother's medical emergency.

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VII. Old Business

- i. Training Center Update. The plan is to start the grading of the property in 2025.
- ii. Fire Station 3 Update. The subdivision was received by the Planning Commission and will be presented at the Town Council next.
- iii. Fire Station 6 Land Purchase Update. The district is still waiting for the subdivision to be approved.
- iv. Mitchell Avenue Property. Three companies provided bids with different scopes of work.

VIII. New Business

- i. Acceptance of a Petition for Inclusion and setting the public hearing date on February 26, 2025, at 4:30 PM. for approximately 106.5 Acres off Gambler Place, Colorado Springs, CO 80908.
MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE PETITION FOR INCLUSION OF APPROXIMATELY 106.6 ACRES OF THE REAL PROPERTY OFF GAMBLER PLACE, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80908 AS FURTHER DESCRIBED IN SUCH PETITION, AND TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING ON FEBRUARY 26, 2025, AT 4:30 PM. Kelly made the motion to accept the petition for inclusion of approximately 106.6 acres of the real property off Gambler Place, CO 80908, with a second from Garrett. Motion passed, 5-0.
- ii. Resolution 2025-01 regarding posting notices.
MOTION: TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-01, DESIGNATING THE LOCATION FOR POSTING NOTICES OF PUBLIC MEETINGS. Buckingham made the motion to approve Resolution 2025-01, Designating the location for posting of public meetings with a second from Kelly. Motion passed, 5-0.
- iii. Resolution 2025-02 regarding the election
MOTION: TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-02, A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE 2025 REGULAR DISTRICT ELECTION AND APPOINTING A DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL, SETTING THE PRECINCT AND POLLING PLACE LOCATION, DELEGATING TO THE DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL THE AUTHORITY TO APPOINT JUDGES OF ELECTION FOR THE REGULAR, AND SETTING THE COMPENSATION OF THE APPOINTED ELECTION

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JUDGES. Hildebrandt made the motion to approve Resolution 2025-02 with a second from Garrett. Motion passed 5-0.

IX. Chief's Report

- I. November/December Chief's Report – The Chief summarized the report to the Board of Directors. Immediately following the meeting was the swearing in ceremony for Andrew Dore and Taylor Lindsey to firefighter paramedic. All are invited to attend. Division Chief Bradley summarized significant events in the District pertaining to "community risk." Chief Kovacs mentioned to the Board that in the future more employees will be needed to assist Chief Bradley.

X. Future Agenda Items

- i. Executive Session to review and discuss the Fire Chief's contract.
- ii. Review and discuss the Mitchell property bids.
- iii. Public Hearing for Inclusion and approval of the Resolution needed.
- iv. Add Station 2 remodel project to "Old Business."
- v. Annual Report for 2024

XI. Adjournment. MOTION TO ADJOURN.

Kelly made the motion to adjourn with a second from Hildebrandt. Motion passed 5-0, 5:41pm.