



Durango Fire Protection District

Minutes of the DFPD Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 23, 2026, 8: 00 a.m. | 103 Sheppard Dr, Durango, CO. 81301

Call to Order

Karen Barger called to order the meeting of the Durango Fire Protection District Board of Directors at 8:02 a.m.

Roll Call

Board members present: Karen Barger (President), Rob Farino, Samantha Gallagher, Tina McCallum, Lyle McKnight, David Stokes

Board members absent- Not approved: John Dezendorf

DFR Staff members present include Chief Randy Black, Deputy Chief Michael Krupa, Bud Smith (Legal Counsel), HR Director Megan Kunch, Finance Director Eric Baker, Stephanie Dressen, Battalion Chief Drew Duvall, Emilia Mejewski, Howard Smith, Taylor Arnold

Agenda

No other additions, deletions or revisions.

Samantha Gallagher motions to approve the agenda, then seconded by Tina McCallum. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

- May 26, 2026 regular board meeting minutes –

A motion was made by Samantha Gallagher to approve the minutes, seconded by Lyle McKnight. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements/Presentations

2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report – Review from Auditors

Samantha Gallagher motions to accept the financial audit as presented, then seconded by Tina McCallum. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Reports

Oral Report: Chief Black

- Personnel Update
- Vehicle Updates
- Station 4 Update
- Station Remodels
- Wildfire Risks
- Summer calls
- City Council Presentation Update

Oral Report: Bud Smith

- n/a

Written Report: Finance Director, Eric Baker

Written Report: Fire Marshal, Stephen Rinaldi

New Business

Special Board Meeting July 16th

Rob Farino motioned to schedule a special board meeting for July 16th, then seconded by Samantha Gallagher. Motion carried unanimously.

RFP Approval for financing of Station 4

Samantha Gallagher motioned approve RFP and engagement letter, then seconded by Tina McCallum. Motion carried unanimously

RESOLUTION 2026 – 4

RESOLUTION APPROVING INTEGRATED PROJECT DELIVERY FOR THE REMODELING OF DURANGO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT STATION NO. 1 AND STATION NO. 15

*Tina McCallum motioned to approve resolution, then seconded by Samantha Gallagher.
Motion carried unanimously*

Public Hearing – Petition for Exclusion: Consideration of Order of Board of Directors
Approving Petition for Exclusion of Property within the District

*Samantha Gallagher motioned to approve petition for exclusion, then seconded by Lyle
McKnight. Motion carried unanimously*

Old Business

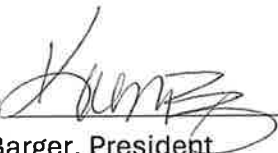
No old business.

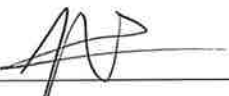
Executive Session

No executive session

Adjournment

Karen Barger adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Signed: 
Karen Barger, President
Date: 7/28/2026

Attest: 
Taylor Arnold, Executive Assistant & HR Generalist

