

**Minutes
Summit Fire & EMS Fire Protection District
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 17, 2026
0035 County Shops Road, Frisco, CO
with TeleCon Attendance Option Available**

Call to Order:

The Regular meeting of the Summit Fire & EMS Fire Protection District ("District") Board of Directors ("Board") was called to order at 9:00 AM.

Roll Call:

Board Members present were Joe Ben Slivka, John Piotti, and Chuck Tolton. Staff members in attendance were Interim Fire Chief Brian Schenking, Deputy Chief Rick Ihnken, Division Chiefs Lou Laurina and Scott Benson, Battalion Chiefs Kevin Skaer, Ryan Cole and Aaron Kaltenbach, Captain Ryan Grafmiller, Wildland Coordinator Kyle Iseminger, Lieutenants Talon Edwards and Eric Pardis, EMS Coordinator Chris Romano, Wildland Specialist Brandon McBride, Firefighter Jordyn Butler, Community Resource Officer Steve Lipsher, Inspectors Aaron Myers, Amelia Kupperberg and Natasha Schwartzkopff, Staff Accountant Kori Fletcher, Admin Tech Ginger Hatton, People and Workplace Experience Business Partner Erin Mumma, Accounting Manager Jessica Fuller, Finance Director and Board Secretary Mary Hartley, and Legal Counsel Emily Powell.

M/S/P Piotti and Tolton to excuse the absences of Directors Sinclair and Johnson.

Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

Guests:

Jay Nelson, Red White and Blue FPD Fire Chief and Fire Marshal

Kim McDonald, Guest

John Miller, Associate with Ireland Stapleton Pryor & Pascoe, PC

Elizabeth Woodward, Director with Ireland Stapleton Pryor & Pascoe, PC

Director Sinclair joined the meeting at 9:02 AM

Approval of Agenda:

M/S/P Piotti and Tolton to approve the agenda with the removal of the Executive Session which will be rescheduled for Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 7:00 AM.

Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

Public Comments:

None

Consent Agenda:

The following items were presented:

Warrants: January 17, 2026 – February 13, 2026

Financial Report for all funds – January 2026

After discussion and questions,

M/S/P Piotti and Tolton to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

New Business:

Consider ACR Presentation/Review

Interim Fire Chief Schenking presented the Annual Compliance Report (ACR) to the Board. The ACR is an annual requirement of the Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) as part of the accreditation process and reflects the overall performance of the District. The report is used to support continual improvement in service delivery programs. One notable update was the transition from the 10th edition to the 11th edition.

Continued Business:

Consider Resolution 2026-03 Adoption of the 2024 International Fire Code with Local Amendments.

Kim McDonald, Jay Nelson, and Division Chief Scott Benson provided an overview of the proposed changes associated with adoption of the new IFC Code. The adoption of the Colorado Wildfire Resiliency Code was removed from the Resolution, as it lacked certain details related to adoption of the Wildfire Resiliency Code, including designation of the enforcing authority (e.g., the District, the County, or DFPC). A standard form of Resolution adopting the Wildfire Resiliency Code will be prepared and presented at the March 17, 2026 Board meeting.

M/S/P Sinclair and Piotti to approve Resolution 2026-03 adopting the 2024 International Fire Code with Local Amendments.

Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

Station 12 East Dillon Water District Easement Continuing Discussion

Interim Fire Chief Schenking and Attorney Elizabeth Woodward updated the Board on the issues that have transpired since the last discussion for the Station 12 land in the Summit Cove neighborhood. It was discovered that the Easement that the District is looking to purchase from East Dillon Water District is used by Xcel Energy. There is a power line that runs straight down that easement. After discussion and questions,

M/S/P Sinclair and Slivka to proceed with the purchase of the easement from East Dillon Water District.

Vote: 2 in favor, 2 opposed. The motion did not carry.

Director Sinclair left the Board meeting at 10:00 AM

Staff Reports:

Attorney: In addition to the written report, Attorney Powell shared that the Colorado State Legislature has opened for the 2026 legislative session and there are already bills being introduced that may impact special districts.

High Country Training Center: Nothing in addition to the written report.

Local 4528 Union Update: Local 4528 did not provide a written report this month. Union President Romano shared that the member appreciation event on February 8, 2026 was a successful event.

Wildland: In addition to the written report, Wildland Coordinator Iseminger announced that Wildland Specialist Ohlson has been selected for a Wildfire Mitigation Award through the IAFC!

Dan Schroeder (CO Forest Service), Matt Benedict, and Coordinator Isminger nominated Wildland Specialist Ohlson for her outstanding work in fuels reduction.

Finance: In addition to the written report, Finance Director Hartley shared that the 2025 Audit kicked off this week as well as working on a lease amendment with Copper Mountain Consolidated Metropolitan District in order to alleviate administrative burden, delays in quarterly invoicing, and repeated review of charges historically not paid by the District. The Board will receive future communication in the Finance Board report on this amendment.

Human Resources: No updates beyond the written report.

Community Resource Officer: In addition to the written report, CRO Lipsher will be bringing the draft 2025 Annual Report to the next Board meeting.

Community Risk Division: In addition to the written report, Division Chief Benson announced his last day with the District, and will be moving on to Monument Fire Protection District.

EMS Services: No updates beyond the written report.

Operations: No updates beyond the written report.

Fire Chief and Admin Support Services: In addition to the written report, Interim Chief Schenking shared the report presented in the Board packet regarding the proposed Station 11 Fleet Expansion.

Interim Fire Chief Schenking also shared for the Board's awareness that Summit County law enforcement is working with A&E Entertainment to create a show called Summit Law. The County's Fire Districts have been invited to comment.

Board Comments

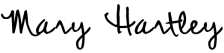
Director Sinclair shared that he took a position with the Summit County 911, and will recuse himself from any decisions that the Board will be making in the future regarding that entity.

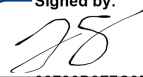
Adjournment:

M/S/P Tolton and Piotti to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 AM.

Vote: All in favor, none opposed.

Approved this 17th day of March 2026.

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Mary Hartley, Board Secretary

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Joe Ben Shvka, Board President