

# SILVERTON FIRE DISTRICT

## MINUTES

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING 7:00 P.M. February 10, 2026  
Silverton Fire District Station #1 (Silverton Main)

**I. ROLL CALL:**

Les Von Flue, President  
Stacy Palmer, Vice President  
Robert Mengucci, Secretary-Treasurer

Dixon Bledsoe, Director  
Phil Sowa, Director

**ABSENT:**

Robert Mengucci, Secretary-Treasurer

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chief Miles, OA Cantu, AC Veit, BC Pilmore, LT Brown

**II. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

President Von Flue called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**a) Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

Director Sowa made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2026 board meeting. Director Bledsoe seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

*(President Von Flue: Aye, Vice President Palmer: Aye, Director Bledsoe: Aye, Director Sowa: Aye)*

**VII. OPEN FORUM:**

*No business was brought forth during Open Forum.*

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS:**

**a) Fire Chief Evaluation**

President Von Flue attended a Government Ethics course at the SDAO Conference and was advised that the way the Board has been doing the Chief's evaluation could be construed as serial communications or meeting. Because of this, the board members need to fill out the Chief's Evaluation during an executive session or a board meeting. President Von Flue indicated that the Chief's Evaluation will be done at the March board meeting.

**IX. FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT:**

- a) Check Summary**
- b) Departmental Expense Report**
- c) Bank Account Balance Comparison**

Director Bledsoe made a motion to approve the finance officer's report as presented. Director Sowa seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

*(President Von Flue: Aye, Vice President Palmer: Aye, Director Bledsoe: Aye, Director Sowa: Aye)*

**X. CHIEF'S REPORT**

- a) Monthly Report**

Chief Miles provided a brief overview of the monthly report to the Board, including annual servicing on the ladder truck, an update on the Radio Project, and information about the sprinkler repairs at the Silverton Fire Main Station. Chief Miles discussed the billing amount from Metcom and an expected decrease in expenses for dispatch services.

- b) Medical Insurance Update**

Chief Miles discussed the cost increase for medical insurance for the 26-27 year.

**XI. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Approve Budget Calendar**

Director Bledsoe moved to approve the Budget Calendar as presented. Vice President Palmer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

*(President Von Flue: Aye, Vice President Palmer: Aye, Director Bledsoe: Aye, Director Sowa: Aye)*

- b) Appoint Budget Officer**

Director Sowa moved to appoint Chief Miles as the Budget Officer. Director Bledsoe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

*(President Von Flue: Aye, Vice President Palmer: Aye, Director Bledsoe: Aye, Director Sowa: Aye)*

- c) Resolution 26-367 Appropriation Authority from Contingency**

Vice President Palmer made a motion to adopt Resolution 26-367 Appropriation Authority from Contingency. Director Sowa seconded the motion, The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Miles provided an overview outlining the need for appropriated funds to support vehicle maintenance. He reviewed several unanticipated repairs completed earlier in the fiscal year, including transmission replacements for C482 and S423, and transmission repairs for E416. Director Palmer asked whether any additional major repairs were anticipated. Chief Miles stated that no other significant repairs are currently expected. The requested funds would allow the District to continue routine vehicle maintenance through the end of the fiscal year and replenish funds expended on these unforeseen repairs.

Director Sowa inquired about the mileage and warranty status of C482 and S423 in relation to the transmission replacements. Chief Miles confirmed that both vehicles had relatively low mileage and that Ford did not provide warranty coverage or financial assistance for the replacements. Director Sowa asked if there was any way to be reimbursed should there be a

recall issued for the transmissions that were replaced. Chief Miles stated that recalls were being monitored, but that it would be a larger issue looking for an area rep or someone willing to take on the case.

(President Von Flue: Aye, Vice President Palmer: Aye, Director Bledsoe: Aye, Director Sowa: Aye)

**XII. ITEMS PENDING:**

*No items pending.*

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Approved this 10th day of March, 2026.

Les Von Flue

President

Minutes recorded and prepared by Kaylee Spencer