

SILVERTON FIRE DISTRICT

MINUTES

DRAFTED FOR APPROVAL, SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND OR CORRECTION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING 7:00 P.M. January 14, 2025
Silverton Fire District Station #8 (Scotts Mills)

I. ROLL CALL:

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

Dixon Bledsoe, Director
Ryan Bielenberg, Director

ABSENT:

Director Bielenberg
Secretary-Treasurer Mengucci

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Miles, Office Administrator (OA) Cantu, AC Veit, BC Terhaar, FF Isherwood

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 Bledsoe made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2024 board meeting. Vice President Palmer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

VII. OPEN FORUM:

No comments were made during open forum.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

a) **Board Work Session, January 20, 2025**

President Von Flue announced that the board work session scheduled for January 20th was cancelled due to the holiday. OA Cantu inquired what dates would work for the board to reschedule. The members present agreed that Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings would be suitable. OA Cantu will contact absent members to confirm their availability. President Von Flue and Vice President Palmer agreed that the chief's evaluation

will take place during this meeting. President Von Flue also mentioned that other topics, including benefits and wage comparisons, will be discussed at the work session.

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. Vice President Palmer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

OA Cantu reviewed the bank comparisons from December and January, specifically highlighting the variance in ending balances from 2023 to 2024. OA Cantu clarified that tax revenue checks were received after the board packet was prepared, so they were not reflected in the initial report. The bank comparisons for this month, however, show those funds have now been accounted for.

President Von Flue inquired about the impact of the current California Conflagration on the budget. Chief Miles confirmed that E416, with four personnel, had been deployed to California. President Von Flue asked about the expected return time for the crew, to which AC Veit responded that the engine and firefighters were anticipated to return around January 21st. OA Cantu then explained the reimbursement process from California, noting that it typically takes about a year for fire districts to receive reimbursement.

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

X. CHIEF'S REPORT

a) **Monthly Report**

Chief Miles provided a brief overview of the monthly report to the Board, highlighting key events such as the California conflagration and the Oregon response deployment. He also mentioned the upcoming relocation of the siren from the old city hall parking lot to Silverton Fire District Station #1. According to Chief Miles, the siren will be moved at the beginning of February, but it will undergo maintenance and be out of service for approximately 6 to 8 months. Chief Miles and the board members also discussed some of the siren's history.

b) **OGEC Public Meeting Law Training, March 6, 2025**

OA Cantu announced that the OGEC Public Meeting Law Training is scheduled for March 6th, 2025, at 9:00 AM at the new City Hall. Some City staff will be attending the course, and the school district has been notified, though they have not responded yet. President Von Flue emphasized that all board members need to complete this training, particularly those whose terms are expiring.

c) **Annual Awards Banquet, February 15, 2025, 6:00pm, Oregon Gardens**

Chief Miles extended an invitation to the Annual Awards Banquet being held at the Oregon Gardens on February 15, 2025, beginning at 6:00pm.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

No new business items were discussed during the meeting.

XII. ITEMS PENDING:

a) **SDAO Conference February 7th – 9th**

President Von Flue stated that the SDAO Conference is coming up. OA Cantu said that the

cut off date for registering is January 30th. Should any board members who want to attend that hasn't already registered, please reach out as soon as possible to AO Cantu. President Von Flue discussed the costs of attending multiple conferences a year but encouraged participation.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Approved this 11th day of February, 2025.

Les VonFlue

President

Minutes recorded and prepared by Kaylee Spencer