

Nederland Fire Protection District Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2025

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Roll Call

Guy Falsetti – Present
Todd Wieseler – Present
Russ Panneton – Present
Bob Sheehan – Present
Ryan Keeler – Present
Chief Charlie Schmidtman – Present

Announce Quorum and Call Meeting to Order @ 19:01

Public Statements, Comments or Questions

- None.

Approve the meeting agenda: 5-0-0

Acceptance of previous meeting minutes: 5-0-0

Treasurer's Report

- Unreserved funds are below where they had been this time last year, but it is to be expected due to the new ambulance. However, they are slightly higher than predicted.
- Income is higher than expected due to timing.
- Expenses are on target.
- Ned Fire funds are still in good shape, with \$183K anticipated income for 2025.

Chief's Report

- The Chief announced the passing of Lt Ken Kehoe. Lt Kehoe honorably volunteered for Nederland Fire for 12 years. His death has been a challenge to accept for all that knew him here.
- We have had two gatherings to discuss his passing with the help of the Boulder County Advocates, the Boulder County Chaplin, and Josh Deuto from North Metro Fire.
- We are planning an internal dinner this Friday night for the fire department as a celebration of Lt Kehoe.
- We have offered the Fire Station as a place to host Lt Kehoe's Funeral. The family looked at several options, including the community center and one of the churches. After visiting them, they feel that the fire station "is Ken". The ceremony and reception will be held here on 08/30/2025 but no details have been finalized.

- 5633 (Old) We looked into listing it on Bring-A-Trailer, which would get us the most money out of it. We tried to list it with a reserve but BAT refused it because they feel that No Reserve gets the best reactions.
- 5622 (Old) The Chief has been talking to Indian Peaks Fire Protection District about their current ambulance. Their main ambulance is an early nineties model and is suffering from several issues. He told them of us getting our new ambulance and they would love to get our old one.
- **Motion to approve giving 5622 (Old) to Indian Peaks: 5-0-0**
- We are looking at having a role in Eldora's first aid room. Cost issues have not been addressed.
- Regarding Shady Hollow subdivision inclusion: our attorney advises us that the Board can set a public hearing on the inclusion at the September meeting. We will then publish a notice of public hearing on the petitions and prepare a Board Order of Inclusion that will be the document the Board votes on in September.
- A very serious high speed motorcycle crash. The patient was badly injured. Our crew saved his life.
- Drug overdose with a party not breathing and CPR started by bystanders at a residence in town. Narcan was administered and the party was saved, great job by BCSO deputies and responders on scene!
- Self-inflicted injury to the thigh from an axe up at Devils Thumb Lake. FF's Max Schmidtman and FF Jones used the UTV and hiked for quite a while before getting cancelled by responders who took a helicopter to the patient.
- FF Jones, Engine Boss Henrikson and Lt M. Papich returned from their deployment in California. No major issues with the new wildland truck they took. They made around \$21,000.00 for the department with the truck.
- 5601- Failed pump testing, then overheated.
- 5641- Failed pump testing and had some issues with the primer.
- 5601 (New)- The expected delivery date of the new engine is next Wednesday.
- The Chief spoke with the regional manager of Pierce. It seems that he heard the Chief when he told Pierce of his disappointment with them and the cost to our district. They are refunding us approximately \$17,000 for an interest adjustment.
- We have two firefighters starting fire academy in September.
- We are in the process of finalizing the EMT program that we plan on starting in January.
- Distributed updated Narcan kits to frontline units and confirmed staff proficiency with documentation standards.
- Continued integration of Naloxone education into community outreach events.
- Continued training of frontline staff to meet 70% requirement to obtain free Narcan from Naloxone Project.

Fire Marshal's Report

- BVSD has reopened the woodshop at NMSHS with a new maintenance program and safety features in place which we approved.

- Two minor fire investigations were conducted. In both cases the cause determination was accidental.
- Review of the fire code update and amendments have been completed.

- KnoxConnect was successfully installed in the new ambulance.
- CAD link is down; after an abundance of trouble-shooting we are waiting for a response from Central Square and BSCO.
- Dispatch/First Due sync is up and running.

Old Business

- Audit update: the extension has been approved and the audit is now due on 09/30/2025.
- Policy for compliance on fees/fines: ongoing work.
- File of Life: Guy will work on this with Connor.

New Business

- Chief's annual evaluation: schedule a September executive session.
- Preliminary budget discussion: impact of town's acquisition of Eldora Ski Area on our budget.
- NFPD Auxiliary: reactivate?
- **Motion to reactivate the NFPD Auxiliary: 5-0-0.**
- Lt. Papich completed 30 to 40 cistern inspections.

Special Executive Session

- None.

Public Statements, Comments or Questions

- None.

Other Business

- None.

Next Regular Board Meeting: September 17, 2025

Motion to Adjourn Meeting: 5-0-0

Adjourn the Meeting @ 20:31