

Nederland Fire Protection District Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 21, 2026

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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**

**Approve the meeting agenda: 5-0-0**

**Acceptance of previous meeting minutes: 4-0-1**

**Public Statements, Comments or Questions**

- None.

**Treasurer's Report**

- \$765K unreserved funds, slightly more than expected.
- DDA and remaining tax income was received in December.
- Spend in December was less than budget.
- We exceeded our annual projected income by ~\$8K.
- Capital outlay was higher than expected because the new ambulance arrived a year early.
- Funds are in good shape for large payments in January and February.

**Chief's Report**

- We have an opening for a Wildland Coordinator. Duties include the performance of administrative and technical work relating to wildland and mitigation programs within the Fire District and in cooperation with our partnering agencies.
- When firefighters are sent out of district as "single resources" (no truck and crew), we have been paying those firefighters from our budget before we are reimbursed by the State. The potential exists of us paying out more than \$100K for as many as six months, as we wait for payment from the State.
- **10.03 Wildland Deployment Pay Rates – a "justifiable pay rate".**
  - **Base pay rate shall be established using the current DFPC Position Pay Rate Matrix using the position/qualification for the resource order.**

- An additional 30% to the base pay rate will be paid to cover the cost of living in Boulder County.
- An additional 20% to the base rate pay will be paid as compensation for managing a crew of three firefighters and handling all associated paperwork.
- New Type 3 engine expected for February finish.
- We provided mutual aid for two out-of-district wildland fires.
- Long vehicle recovery in Barker Reservoir with NFPD, BES, Boulder Fire, and BCSO.
- We prepared for and responded to the recent wind events.
- Covered Timberline with an engine and a crew (Thanks LT Papich, FF Irwin-Powell and FF Lynch) when they had multiple calls.
- FF Jones has been promoted from Probationary Firefighter to Firefighter.
- Work continues in preparing 5601 (old) for sale.
- Capt. Wheelock has finished working on NERIS, we are up and running as of 12/31/2025 and are federally compliant with all the new changes.
- AMR taught medical training on hand-off reports.
- Captain Moran and Sherry have been working hard on our EMT Program. This is going to start in a few weeks. The class is full and all the instructors have signed up for spots. Captain Moran is still working out the kinks on the preceptor sites. We are receiving approximately \$30K from BCFFA funding to put on this class, so for all the BCFFA members the class fees will be greatly reduced.

### **Fire Marshal's Report**

- Working closely to enforce Hot Work permit requirements; exceptionally dry and windy conditions have been prevalent this winter. Created a system to utilize Fire Weather Alerting System application to log hot work and send automatic notifications to contractors with "go/no go" alerts during the course of the work window. Hot Work permits are a mere \$50, with an emphasis on compliance rather than compensation to the district.
- The town has chosen to remodel the Community Center West Wing. The Fire Marshal met with Town representatives to thoroughly document all requirements and draft a timeline which will be sent to Town Administrator and then the Fire Chief for approval.
- The Post Office issues remain, but four action items were included in a letter sent to the Postmaster.
- Undergoing approval for Apple Business Manager.
- Work continues on Truck Checks 2.0.

### **New Business**

- Board Elections: nothing this year.

### **Old Business**

- Budget Review: minor adjustments are pending.

### **Special Executive Session**

- None.

**Public Statements, Comments or Questions**

- None.

**Other Business**

- None.

**Next Regular Board Meeting: February 18, 2026**

**Motion to Adjourn Meeting: 5-0-0**

**Adjourn the Meeting @ 20:00**