AMADOR FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Was Recorded

Jackson, California
Tuesday, September 15, 2026
2:31 PM

The Board of Directors of the Amador Fire Protection District met in the County Administration Center, 810 Court Street, Jackson, California, on the above date pursuant to adjournment, and the following proceedings were had, to wit:

Present:
Pat Crew, Chair
Dan Epperson, Director
Logan Carnell, Vice Chair
Jeff Brown, Director
Brian Oneto, Director **took seat at 2:33 PM**

Absent:

Staff:
Robert Withrow, Fire Chief
Nicole Cook, Clerk of the Board

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA

MOTION: It was moved by Director Carnell and seconded by Director Brown and carried 4-0-1 to approve the agenda as presented, Dir. Oneto absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: It was moved by Director Brown and seconded by Director Epperson and carried 4-0-1 to approve the agenda as presented, Dir. Oneto absent.

PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

Director Oneto took seat at 2:33 PM

PUBLIC HEARING

Final Budget: the Chair opened the public hearing at 2:34 pm. The Fire Chief reported 2026-27 Fiscal Year Final Budget as presented to the Board. Discussion ensued relative to subject matter. No public comment.

MOTION: It was moved by Dir. Brown, seconded by Dir. Epperson and carried 5-0-0 to close the public hearing at 2:45 pm.

MOTION: It was moved by Dir. Oneto, seconded by Dir. Carnell, and carried 5-0-0 to approve the final FY 26-27 budget as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. AFPD 26-11

Resolution Approving the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Fire Chief Update: presented by the Fire Chief. The following discussions in summary ensued relative to subject matter, no action was taken.

Operations: Anticipating T-5181 in service by the end of October. The first phase of training will be focused on operating the Truck and then second will be hands-on. Currently there is a strike team at the Plaskett fire. Effective October 2nd, the Fiddletown fire station; 123 will be staffed 24/7 with Apprentice Firefighters.

Fire Prevention: Tom Tomlinson, Fire Prevention Officer reported tenant improvement inspections continue; i.e. Safeway "grab and go & online orders" and the Court House. Debris burn citations have slowed down.

Public Information Officer: Kayla Dale, Public Information Officer and Community Risk Reduction Officer addressed the Board Amador's homeowner ongoing insurance premium rates increasing; this month alone there have been 18 home inspection, hoping Amador Fire can assist with their premiums getting reduced or coverage not getting canceled. Success stories: 1) Mace Meadows in Pioneer, $2,500 annually raised to $9,100; Amador Fire inspected, homeowner made minor changes specific to the insurance company, district prepared a letter specific to their property and insurance requirements, being in a Firewise community gave them a discount of $4,000. 2) Shake Ridge Road, Volcano, homeowner had trees removed, was able to keep insurance with no rate increase due to Amador Fire inspecting property and preparing a letter, sending it directly to insurance agents. 3) Willow Creek in Willow Springs area, $3,000 annually, it was raised to $19,500. Minor changes were made, specific to the insurance checklist, Amador Fire re-inspected discounted $3,000, $2,000 Firewise, and $2,000 for a letter from Amador Fire, that is $7,000 rate reduction. There are other success stories. Firewise meeting with Leads this month focused on how to engage members in Firewise communities. Next meeting is in December.

New Pine Grove Fire Station: Construction Progress Update, Training Tower Erection Bid Review, and Award the Bid to the Successful Bidder: Larry White with WGA, Inc. presented report: update and contract bids pertaining to the new fire station construction progress update, estimates and expenditures. Refer to Board Memo_Update New 114 Dated: September 15, 2026. There were 4 contractors who attended the pre mandatory meeting, received 3 bids. WGA recommends awarding CJS Buildings at $195,000.00. Discussion ensued relative to subject matter. No public comment.

MOTION: It was moved by Dir. Epperson and seconded by Dir. Brown and carried 5-0-0 to approve and award the training tower erection contract to the lowest bidder, CJS Buildings as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. AFPD 26-12

Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the new Fire Station #114 Training Tower Erection Project.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS:

Regular Meeting Minutes from August 18,2026: Discussion ensued relative to subject matter.

MOTION: It was moved by Dir. Brown and seconded by Dir. Epperson and 5-0-0 to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented.

ADJOURNMENT: At 3:16 PM Pat Crew, Chair adjourned the meeting until October 20th, 2026 at 2:30PM

Patrick Crew

Chair, Amador Fire Protection District