

Garden Valley Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes

Where: Main Fire Station on Middlefork Rd in Crouch
When: 9 SEPTEMBER 2025



- 1 Call to Order 2:00PM**
- 2 Commissioner(s)/Chief Role Call**
 - 2.1 P. Palmiotto; Commissioner- Absent: Chief Cleveland- Present, M. Van Dyk; Commissioner- Present, B. Klevenberg; Commissioner- Present, A. Fields; Captain-Present, H. Sipple; stenographer-present
- 3 Amendments to this Agenda**
 - 3.1 Motions to amend this agenda. None
- 4 Public Participation**
 - 4.1 Members of the public may comment on an agenda before action is taken and after the Board has discussed the item. Any member of the public making a public comment shall state their name and address for the record prior to addressing the Board.
- 5 Consent Agenda Items** - Consent Agenda Items will be enacted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on items unless a Board Member, Staff, or member of the public request's removal of the item for separate action.
 - 5.1 Minutes: Review/Amend/Approve Previous Month's Meeting Minutes. Approved
 - 5.2 Expenditures: Review/Amend/Approve Expenditures. B. Klevenberg motions to approve minutes and expenditures. M. Van Dyk seconds, all in favor, approved.
- 6 Correspondence**
 - 6.1 Staff / Commissioners will review relevant correspondence.
 - 6.1.1 Chief has been in correspondence with Scott Turner. County was approved for \$50,000.00 plus to improve repeaters and radios in the county; this should take place this fall to next year to update communications.
- 7 Public Comment**
 - 7.1 This part of the meeting is reserved for people wishing to address the Board on any matter not on the agenda. Name and address shall be stated for the record prior to addressing the Board. Any matter that requires Board action will be referred to staff (or a Board member) for a report and action at a subsequent Board meeting. NONE
- 8 Old/Ongoing Business**
 - 8.1 (*) **Impact Fee collection update:** Still waiting for the second round of fees to be collected and paid. About \$22,000 is still owed for impact fees. Boise county is still behind on remitting these fees.
 - 8.2 (*) **Open questions from public on 2025 proposed Levy:** B.K explains levy information (printed levy, information was passed out) and answered questions. Steve Radigan asked commissioners and chief to explain the plan for the paid employees if the Levy passes. Plan is to fill in qualified and capable staff into our shift system. We need a bigger budget to be able to do that. Bill clarified that it is hard to plan exact staffing and scheduling without knowing who we will be able to hire at the time the money is made available to us. Radigan claims the levy information should show the plan in action moving forward on paid staffing. Beth Olson: What will go away if Levy doesn't pass? Bill said our paid-on call will go away without the Levy and the department will go back to 100 percent volunteer. Beth Olson: How much of the staffing issue is a housing problem? Bill K stated it's an ongoing issue for many entities.

ASTERISK (*) ITEMS ARE ALL SUBJECT TO POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE GVFPD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
The GVFPD Board of Commissioners Reserves the Right to Change the Agenda Prior to the Meeting.

Hired 7 members from Boise, to join our boot camp and take shifts with ability to stay at station 1 & 2 under our paid-on call program. Steve Radigan states there was bad messaging on the department's social media last month looks negative for Levy increase this was address with staff. Red flag Levy for Beth Olson is Levy tax is permanent. The department will continue to be available to answer levy questions and have posted the appropriate factual information on our website.

8.3 (*) [Silver Creek/Valley County agreements](#) No new updates or information to disclose for these agreements.

8.4 (*) [Vote on Budget hearing resolution](#) : Budget has been turned into the county and approved. B. K Turned in his candidacy for another 4-year term along with proper paperwork to be on the November ballot.

9 Chief & Staff Reports...

9.1 (*) [Calls in August](#) 37 calls; 22 Medical, 7 MVA, 2 False Alarms, 2 Fire, 4 LEO assist

9.2 (*) [Training in August](#): EMS reports, Drafting, PCR Reporting, FDC/ Hydrants, Size-ups/riding positions

9.3 (*) [Department on-call staffing & Response times update](#): 13.9 Response time

9.4 (*) [Staffing Update](#): Boot camp starting next Tuesday for 4 days, 7 new guys coming up from the valley.

9.5 (*) [Equipment Update](#): Wrapping up State grant information/ process for new rig.

9.6 (*) [Station updates](#), Improving the upstairs to have more beds available for people taking shifts. Station 2 will be available for staff to use on October 1st.

10 [New Business](#): None

11 [Request for Future Agenda Items](#): None

12 (*) [Adjournment](#)

12.1 2:47 p.m.

The next Regular GVFPD Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, 10/14/2025, @ 2:00 PM @ the Main Station above Crouch.