ALPINE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS — REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 15, 2026 · 5:00 P.M. · 1364 Tavern Road, Alpine, CA 91901

****MINUTES****

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by: Director Willis
Roll Call Quorum: Present – Director Willis, Mehrer, Taylor, Paskle and Cromwell
(Director Cromwell arrived at 5:02)

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Pledge of Allegiance by: Director Mehrer
Invocation by: Pastor Jason

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda by Director Taylor with the addition to the agenda, with a hearing on the final Public Hearing- FY 26/27 Budget making it 6.0

Second by: Director Mehrer

AYES: (5) NOES: (0)

4. PUBLIC COMMENT AND DISCUSSION

Members of the public may address the Board on any agenda item or matter within the District's jurisdiction. Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes per topic.

None at this time

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be acted upon by one motion unless a Board member requests separate consideration.

5.1 Board Meeting Minutes — August 18, 2026
5.2 District Financial Reports
5.3 Monthly Incident Report

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar by Director Mehrer
Second by Director Taylor
AYES: (5) NOES: (0)

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.0 Final Public Hearing #3 – FY 2026/2027 Budget

Public Hearing opened by Director Willis at 5:03 pm

Fire Chief provide details on the adjusted items including workers compensation and the fire sprinkler repair.

Hearing Closed at 5:06 by Director Willis

AYES: (5) NOES: (0)

6.1 Resolution 26/27-08 Adoption of the Final Budget

Motion to approve Resolution 26/27-08 Adoption of the Final Budget by Director Taylor to include the changes made by Fire Chief O'Gorman

Second by: Director Mehrer

Roll Call Vote: Director Willis, Mehrer, Taylor, Paskle and Cromwell

6.2 Resolution 26/27-09 Purchase of Zoll Cardiac Monitor

Motion to approve Resolution 26/27-09 Purchase of Zoll Cardiac Monitor Director Taylor with the notation that Item number two should note the amount not to exceed is forty-five thousand three hundred dollars.

Second by: Director Willis

Roll Call Vote: Director Willis, Mehrer, Taylor, Paskle and Cromwell

6.3 Resolution 26/27-10 Adoption of an Updated Procurement Policy

Fire Chief O'Gorman advised additional review is needed. We will table for next meeting.

7. Public Hearing #1 – Ordinance No. 2026-03: An ordinance of the Alpine Fire Protection District which adopts the Defensible Space Ordinance with certain amendments, additions, and deletions

Fire Marshal McBroom provided an overview of the proposed amendments, additions, and deletions to the Ordinance. Director Taylor inquired whether the State Forestry Department would adopt the Ordinance within a five-year implementation period. Fire Marshal McBroom provided further clarification regarding the Ordinance and explained how it is currently addressed and implemented within Alpine.

8. REPORTS

8.1 Board of Directors

Director Willis announced that he will be sworn in as President of the Kiwanis Club and extended an open invitation to the Board and District staff to attend the October event.

8.2 Fire Marshal

Fire Marshal McBroom provided an update regarding the Alpine-Viejas Fire Safe Council Tavern evacuation route project. The initial $85,000 grant has been exhausted, with three parcels of land still
needing to be addressed. The contractor has been on-site for 30 days. The Fire Safe Council reached back out to the San Diego River Conservancy, which was able to provide an additional $50,000 in funding. An additional 14–21 days of in-kind contributions, totaling $64,000 in labor, will be provided to match the additional funding.

8.3 Fire Chief

Fire Chief O'Gorman

Fire Chief O'Gorman provided the following updates: The Captain promotional examination has four candidates. Firefighter Cody Horton completed probation on September 1st. The District continues to support overhead deployments, with Captain Dotson and Engineer Ozbirn recently returning from Oregon. The REMS program development and training support continue, with Firefighter Padilla deployed to assist Oceanside's REMS Team. The District has also implemented a leave behind Narcan program. IT updates included Datalink's migration of the District's domain from .org to .gov. All materials have been submitted for the audit. Pending receipt and approval of the draft, Stacey with Nigro & Nigro will present the findings at the next Board meeting. Firefighter Kyle Setter was recently recognized as Firefighter of the Year and scheduled to be recognized by the San Diego Business Chamber on September 25. Fire Chief O'Gorman will attend the FDAC Leadership Seminar in Fresno on September 28–29.

8.4 Alpine Firefighters Association — Local 2638

Engineer/Captain Ross provided details regarding the District's Open House scheduled for Saturday, October 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Kiwanis food trailer will be present serving food. Director Taylor added that approximately 20 Key Club members will be volunteering at the event. Firefighter Setter will also be partnering with REACH to host a blood drive.

9. ADJOURNMENT 5:30 pm

Motion to Adjourn by Director Mehrer

Second by Director Paskle

AYES: (5) NOES: (0)

Minutes Approved:

Stephen R. Taylor

Stephen R. Taylor, Board Secretary

11/17/26

Date

Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, October 20, 2026 · 5:00 P.M. 1364 Tavern Road, Alpine, CA 91901

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MEETING MATERIALS

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CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

I certify that a copy of the foregoing Agenda was posted near the regular meeting place of the Board at least 72 hours in advance of this Regular Meeting. (Gov. Code § 54954.2)

Jennifer Davis, Clerk of the Board