Chaffee County Fire Protection District

499 Antero Circle
Buena Vista, Colorado 81211

MINUTES

May 6, 2026, REGULAR BOARD MEETING

333 Burnette Ave., Poncha Springs, CO

Board of Directors:	Office:	Term Expires:
Seat 1 – Thomas Navarrette	Vice President/Treasurer	5/2029
Seat 2 – Stuart Langrehr	President/Chairperson	5/2027
Seat 3 – Bruce Shoff	Director	5/2027
Seat 4 – Gregg Grant	Director	5/2027
Seat 5 – Brent Jewell	Director	5/2029

Staff:

Kira Jones	Fire Chief
Erynn Hickins	Administrative Assistant/Secretary to the Board

Legal Counsel: Dino Ross (via zoom)

1. CALL TO ORDER

   Chairperson Langrehr called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

   President Langrehr moved to approve the agenda as presented. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

   a. Review April 1, 2026, regular Board meeting minutes.

   Vice President Navarrette moved to approve the April 1, 2026, regular Board meeting minutes as presented. President Langrehr seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Review April 20, 2026, special Board meeting minutes.

President Langrehr moved to approve the April 20, 2026, special Board meeting minutes as presented. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Langrehr moved to go into Executive Session at 3:03 PM to receive advice of legal counsel regarding potential inclusion of area within Town of Buena Vista, C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(b). Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

President Langrehr moved to adjourn the Executive Session at 3:46 PM. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

6. ATTORNEYS' REPORT

Attorney Ross presented the May attorney's report. Discussion followed.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Authorize initial payment for Iturri Trucks.

Following discussion, President Langrehr moved to approve the initial payment for the Iturri Trucks. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Consider appointing Bruce Shoff to fill vacant Director position/Oath of Office.

Vice President Navarrette moved to appoint Bruce Shoff to fill the vacant Director position. President Langrehr seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Review and consider adopting updated District Member Handbook.

Chief Jones presented the proposed updated Member Handbook. Discussion followed.

President Langrehr moved to table further discussion on the updated Member Handbook to the June 2026, regular Board meeting. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Discussion and possible action on Board specific email addresses.

   Chief Jones and President Langrehr presented the issue. Discussion followed.

   President Langrehr moved to table further discussion on Board specific email addresses to the June 2026, regular Board meeting. Vice President Navarette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Consider adoption of Resolution proposing inclusion of the area within the Town of Buena Vista, with Exhibits A through D.

   Following discussion, Vice President Navarrette moved to adopt Resolution 2026-08 A-D. President Langrehr seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Consider proposals from firms to conduct potential election to include area within the Town of Buena Vista.

   Following discussion, President Langrehr moved to approve Circuit Rider to assist in conducting the potential election. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

g. Consider authorizing budgeted purchase of maintenance lift.

   Following discussion, Director Jewell moved to approve the budgeted purchase of the maintenance lift. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

h. Authorization of Station Signage.

   Following discussion, Vice President Navarrette moved to authorize station signage for Station 5 and Station 1, with the financial assistance of Friends of Chaffee County Fire. President Langrehr seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

8. FINANCIAL REPORT

Following review, Vice President Navarrette moved to approve the financial report and all bills paid in April 2026, as presented. President Langrehr seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

9. STAFF REPORTS
   None.

10. OLD BUSINESS

a. Review & discuss accrued time off benefits for part-time employees.

Following discussion, President Langrehr moved to provide part-time employees one half of the benefits and one half of the accrued time off for sick leave and vacation leave that are provided to full-time employees. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Presentation on survey results by Magellan.

Chief Jones stated that Magellan indicated it would be at this meeting to discuss the results of the survey it performed; however, Magellan is not here.

c. Consider approval of Consulting Services Agreement with Public Alignment Communication, LLC.

Following discussion, *Vice President Navarrette moved to approve the Consulting Services Agreement with Public Alignment Communication, LLC. President Langrehr seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

11. BOARD/STAFF COMMUNICATION PERIOD

None.

12. ACTION ITEMS

None.

13. ADJOURNMENT

President Langrehr moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 PM. Vice President Navarrette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL

We attest that the foregoing minutes, which have been approved by the affirmative majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Chaffee County Fire Protection District, are a true and accurate record of the meeting held on the date stated above.

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Stu Langrehr, Board President

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Erynn Hickins, Secretary to the Board

I attest that the Executive Session, which was not recorded, constituted privileged attorney-client communications.

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Dino Ross, Esq.

I hereby attest that the Executive Session was confined to a topic authorized for Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(b).

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Stuart Langrehr, Board President