



SOUTH ARKANSAS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

Date: 6/23/2026

Time: 0900 Hours

Location: 611 Oak Street, Salida, CO 81201

Board Members Present:

- Harold Starbuck
 - Art Hutchinson
 - Sheldon Morgan
 - Phillip Gamache
 - Rich Edgington
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1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Starbuck at 0900 hours.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

- Motion to accept the agenda as presented:
 - **Motion by:** Rich Edgington
 - **Second by:** Art Hutchinson
 - **Vote:** Passed unanimously

3. Approval of May Board Meeting Minutes:

- Motion to accept the May Board Meeting Minutes
 - **Motion By:** Sheldon Morgan
 - **Second By:** Rich Edgington
 - **Vote:** Passed unanimously

4. **Open Session:** No public was present.

5. **Reports**

Sarah Marques of Walke and Associates provided an update on deposits and current balances – nothing obscure to report.

Laurie Todesco of South Arkansas Fire Protection District detailed both received and outstanding amounts of current billing cycle. She also reported on personnel on resource orders in Idaho, Alaska, Nevada, Florida, Utah, New Mexico, and Colorado.

Financial Report:

- **Motion to accept May financials:**
 - **Motion:** Sheldon Morgan
 - **Second:** Art Hutchinson
 - **Vote:** Passed unanimously

Fire Chief's Report (presented by Asst. Chief Rohrich):

Assistant Chief Kathy Rohrich discussed several critical issues:

- **Engine 311 Repairs:**
 - Engine 311's electronic pump module is down. 311 will be out of service until part is delivered and installed. No exact cost for repair was reported.

Assistant Fire Chief Report:

No report was given.

Division Chief of Wildfire:

No report was given.

6. **New Business:**

- **Motion: Enter Executive Session (*closed to the public*) – pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402 to receive legal advice, discuss negotiation strategy and intergovernmental agreements, and address personnel matters.**
 - a. Discussion on personnel matters (new position, CPA, SAFPD new hire)
 - b. Strategy and negotiations – Sheldon meeting with CCFPD board member
 - c. 124 E Street purchase – vote of the people

- **Motion By:** Rich Edgington
- **Second:** Art Hutchinson
- **Vote:** Unanimous
- **Motion:** Motion by the South Arkansas Fire Protection District Board of Directors to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene in Regular Session.
 - **Motion By:** Rich Edgington
 - **Second:** Sheldon Morgan
 - **Vote:** Unanimous
- **Motion:** Motion by the South Arkansas Fire Protection District Board of Directors to approve the hiring of the position of District Operations and Finance Coordinator.
 - **Motion By:** Rich Edgington
 - **Second:** Sheldon Morgan
 - **Vote:** Unanimous
- **Motion:** Motion by the South Arkansas Fire Protection District Board of Directors to approve the purchase of a computer and monitor, with total expenditures to not exceed \$2,500.00.
 - **Motion By:** Art Hutchinson
 - **Second:** Rich Edgington
 - **Vote:** Unanimous
- **Motion:** Motion by the South Arkansas Fire Protection District Board of Directors to approve the purchase of an annual Microsoft 365 Subscription for use by SAFPD personnel.
 - **Motion By:** Sheldon Morgan
 - **Second:** Rich Edgington
 - **Vote:** Unanimous

7. Adjournment:

- **Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1010**
 - **Motion to Adjourn:** Rich Edgington
 - **Second:** Art Hutchinson

- **Vote:** Passed Unanimously

Submitted by:

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Art Hutchinson, Secretary Treasurer