

**RED FEATHER LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
**BOARD MEETING – rflvfd.org**  
**TUESDAY JUNE 10, 2025, at 6 PM HYBRID MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**Meeting Called to Order:** 6:00 pm

**Roll Call/Introductions: Present:** Dan Defibaugh, President; Darla Moxon, Vice-President; Caryn Hughes, Treasurer; Brenda Lewis, Director; Nancy Kay, Secretary

**Present:** Brenden (Bobby) Hill, RFL Fire Chief; Gerry Wagner, RFL Fire Fighter (FF) & President of the RFL Firehouse Supporters (501c3); Michael Bichler, FF & RFLFPD Webmaster & IT

**Review/Approve of Minutes:** Caryn made a motion to approve the Minutes of May 13, 2025, Brenda 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All approved.

**Financial Report:** Caryn went over the Financial Report with us.

As of May 31, 2025, we had \$231,791.70 in our checking account and \$292,658.46 in our savings Account for a total of \$524,450.16.

Our May income was \$74,135.65, from taxes and interest earned.

Our expenses for May were Administration \$6,357.56, for Insurance, Fees for County Treasurer and Accounting, Station wear, repairs & maintenance and utilities.

Our May expenses for Operations totaled \$8,571.15, for training, supplies, vehicles and Communications.

Our May Capital Outlay was \$19,544.37, for Wildland PPE (Personal Protective equipment), a new used, refurbished EKG monitor and some items to furnish Rescue 1.

Our total expenses for May were \$34,473.08

Giving us a Net Income of \$39,662.57

Darla made a motion to accept the Financial Report as received, Brenda 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All approved.

**Chief's Report:** Bobby gave us a report on the Fire Department's Operations.

For the month of May we ran 12 calls, 10 were medical and 2 were fire related. To date for the year we have 48 calls, which is average.

For training this month we did 'Initial fire attack on a single-story structure' and we have some new members to work with and get them ready for summer.

Our big topic for tonight is our Ambulance – It is dead! It is at Jim Beck's Automotive Repair, so far, we have only received the initial ideas. Best case scenario, \$6,000.00 or it could be upwards of \$20,000.00 for a complete engine rebuild. Bobby thinks we are at the point of getting another ambulance. We have been saving up for this, but we are being pushed to find an ambulance sooner than we planned. Bobby would like to keep this ambulance even if the cost of repairs is near the \$20,000 range. Because then we would have 2 working ambulances here instead of just one. To solve our problem immediately, we are going to get a loaner ambulance, it should be here later this week. We will have to put insurance on it. This should buy us some time to look for a new used ambulance, somewhere from one to five years old, in the price range of \$200k to \$250k. This will be a Nation-wide search; for a 4-wheel drive, a type 1 (a truck chassis with a box), we don't want to have to paint it, so it needs to be red. Currently, we do have another medical unit, a way to transport patients right now. It is not ideal, it is not an ambulance, it is a Suburban, and it is difficult to work on a patient in it. But we are not without an emergency medical response unit, for the next two or three days.

Caryn made a motion that we allocate up to \$250,000.00 for a new used ambulance for RFL Fire Department, Brenda 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All approved.

**Supporter's Report:** Gerry gave us a report on the Supporters.

In May we brought in \$1418.93 from donations, our total is \$111,114.45. Gerry bought three portable sanitation units, these are now required for our craft fairs, these are hand washing stations, they cost \$216.00 for the three. We can help with the new ambulance when we get it. The Firehouse Supporters will be meeting in person on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 3 pm at the Fire Station. We meet in-person, May through October, then by email November to April. I need to get a permit for Fire Day and write a grant application.

The Supporters will host the Police and neighboring fire fighters (Crystal Lakes FD, Poudre Canyon FD, Glacier View FD, & Livermore FD) here to help with the fireworks and fire suppression. Bob Adams and Sue Stevens are planning to provide the food, Gerry will discuss it at the Supporters Board meeting next week to help with the food purchases, Sue Stevens is a Supporters Board member. We could use help to set up about 5pm, eat about 6pm and clean up about 7pm.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Microgrid/generator**

Gerry takes care of the generator for the fire department. Gerry said he hasn't done anything much with the generator/microgrid. The trench for the propane line needs to be dug, then this will be done.

### **Michael Bichler, RFLFPD webmaster**

Michael shared with us about our 4 EMS people that went to Africa to help with other medical groups. They are busy and learning a lot. They have sent Michael pictures, when they are back he will talk with them about which pictures to post.

Our account manager for Streamline came up to RFL in the past month. We discussed the monthly payments doubling (\$84.00/month to \$184.00/month) in July. She said she could lower our payments to \$126.00/month, plus Streamline has a beta program that will work to speed up the ADA remediation.

### **Septic tank pumped**

Caryn had the RFL Fire Station's septic pumped at the same time as she had the POA's septic pumped.

### **Have we received the "Cancellation of election" publication bill**

Neither Caryn or Nancy has received the invoice for the publication of our "Cancellation of election" from the North Forty News (NFN). After our May Board meeting, Nancy sent the "Cancellation of election" to the NFN for publication.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Oaths of Office**

Darla, Brenda & Nancy have Oaths of Office to have Dan sign. Nancy will send them to the organizations that require them.

### **July 4<sup>th</sup> celebrations**

They are happening! Bobby and the Fire Fighters will move the vehicles out of the fire station on Thursday and clean it up for the crafters to move in on Friday.

### **SDA Annual Conference September 16 – September 18, 2025, in Keystone, Colorado**

Caryn and Darla are both willing to go and learn what is new with the SDA.

## **OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION**

### **Public Comment (limit to 3 minutes)**

Caryn received a bill for \$55.00/month for a third **AirGas** tank. We lease two tanks (\$400.+ annually) and we must have a third one lurking somewhere around the Fire Station. Bobby asked Michael to find the emptiest big green oxygen cylinder, we have two against the wall and one in the medic unit. We need to return one to AirGas in Ft. Collins.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** Caryn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm, Darla 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All agreed.