

RED FEATHER LAKES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING – rflvfd.org
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2026, at 6 PM, HYBRID MEETING
MINUTES

Meeting Called to Order: 6:01 PM

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

Attending by phone or Zoom from Australia (Cape York, through the Torres Strait, headed West toward Darwin 10:42 AM Wednesday): Dan Defibaugh, President

Present: Gerry Wagner, RFL FF & President of our Firehouse Supporters (501c3); Michael Bichler, RFL FF & EMT and RFL Web Master & IT

Review/Approve of Minutes:

Caryn made a motion to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2026, Brenda 2nd the motion, all approved.

Financial Report:

Caryn went over the Financial Report with us.

As of 1/31/26 we have \$101,092.72 in our checking account and \$100,309.74 in our savings account, for a total of \$201,402.46.

Our monthly income as of January 31, 2026, was \$1,922.15, from taxes, earned interest & donations.

Our Expenses for January were:

Administration: Accounting & Legal fees \$400.00, volunteer incentives & station wear \$8,749.72.

Office Supplies and Station & Grounds (Utilities) \$913.78, for a total of \$9,823.92.

Operating Expenses: Supplies (Medical & fire) \$66.86, vehicles \$1,762.48, Communications \$130.00, for a total of \$ 1,959.34.

Capital Outlay: No Capital Outlay for January. Caryn is still waiting to hear when the new ambulance will be shipped to us, then she will send our check of \$151,612.20 to them.

Our total expenses for January were \$11,783.26. Our Net Income was negative \$9,861.11.

Nancy made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented, Brenda 2nd the motion. All approved.

Chief's Report:

RFL Fire Chief Brenden (Bobby) Hill is working tonight, so Gerry and Michael will present the Chief's report to the Board.

The January training was Truck driving, RFL trains on Tuesday evening then Crystal Lakes joining RFL on Saturday, when they had a Truck driving Rodeo. Where the participants in a truck, maneuver through cones, back up through cones, backing up & parallel park. It is a timed event, if you touch a cone it is a ten second penalty, if you touch 3 cones you are disqualified. A fun training.

We had 5 calls in January, 4 medical and 1 fire related.

Supporter's Report:

We started January with \$137,796.92; we had check donations of \$7,170.00 and PayPal donations of \$114.95. We did spend some money in January. After getting the new propane piping in for the generator, the fuel solenoid didn't work, so Gerry took it apart and a little plunger thing had pulled apart, that cost \$785.40.

Gerry bought some batteries for the Bay doors' sensors, the sensors communicate with the exhaust system, to turn on or off. At two batteries per door, Gerry ordered six batteries.

Gerry had Katie order supplies for the new ambulance, \$10,083.84.

Gerry bought 3 handheld radios for \$6,849.63. This price has doubled in two years.

We spent a total of \$18,252.48 in January. We still have \$126,829.39.

OLD BUSINESS

Fire Station – doors

All 4 doors are installed. Caryn and Gerry inspected all the doors and Caryn wrote the check to Anders Construction for \$4,606.94 written on 2/5/2026.

Generator/Microgrid

Discussed in Supporters Report.

New Ambulance

Caryn called because they hadn't called her for a couple weeks. Caryn was told, on Monday 1/16/26 they will be doing their final inspection, and they will send Caryn photos of the Ambulance. Then on 1/20/26 they should be ready to ship the ambulance to us. We will be charged \$2.50 a mile for them shipping it to us, they are insured for the shipping.

AirMedCare

Caryn has turned in the two AirMedCare forms she has received.

Guest: "World-Class Boards" Representative by Zoom, Rob Spangler

–Ask Bobby or Gerry for tour of vehicles

We discussed how Darla and Brenda can dive deeper into the workings and the reports of the fire department. Caryn will send out her tally sheet she receives from the accountant monthly. Nancy suggested they look at the Profit & Loss report and bring any questions to the next board meeting.

Website- .gov

Michael shared with us what he has been doing for the website.

We now own rflvfdco.gov as we change from rflvfd.org to rflvfdco.gov this year for the added security of the .gov domain address. Streamline our website server had suggested this change and Michael has been in communications with them. It will be a matter of integrating the two web addresses.

Michael has started writing grants for the RFL Fire Department, recently he and Caryn got together to crunch some numbers for the last three years for a \$19,996.00 grant for "turn out gear" from an organization called Globe.

Michael has an eye on another grant opening in a couple weeks, he plans to apply for.

Wildfire Resiliency Code (WRC) – Senate Bill 23-166, Michael is on the Board of directors for the WRC and shared with us what this is about. This was adopted by Colorado July 1, 2025, and goes into effect April 1, 2026. It requires local governmental agencies such as our RFL Fire Department that have been identified to be included in the WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE (WUI) to adopt the minimum codes and standards to help reduce the risk to life and property from the effects of wildfires. The Board agreed that Nancy will reach out to our Attorney for a template or help writing a Resolution that our Fire Department defers enforcement of the WRC to the Division of Fire Prevention and control (DFPC). We will bring it to the March Board meeting to be discussed/voted into effect at our March 10, 2026, meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Colorado 811

Michael linked the Colorado 811 dig alerts to our emails. That seems to be working. Darla started the process of transitioning from OCARS_Pro@uncc.org to exactix@colorado811.org last month.

Resolution designating the time & place of board meetings

Darla standing in for Dan, who is traveling, signed the Resolution and Nancy signed the Resolution. Michael will post the resolution and the 2026 Transparency Notice to the website when Nancy sends it to him.

Starlink at Fire Station

The Board of Directors think we should get Starlink for the Fire Station. When we set up the new ambulance with Starlink we can also add the fire station. We were lucky last month when CenturyLink was down for our January 13, 2026 Board meeting, that the library was still open and we could borrow a mobile router. So, we could have our board meeting on Zoom as well as in person. Dan and Michael were both able to attend the meeting because of the mobile router.

Renew SDA

Caryn renewed our SDA (Special District Association) membership for 2026. It was done on January 28, 2026, it cost \$424.36. The cost is based on our income.

OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION

Public Comment (limit to 3 minutes)

Brenda gave us her resignation from the Board of Directors, effective April 14, 2026.

Caryn submitted the annual periodic report for the Fire Department, for \$25.00

Caryn is talking to the accountant in preparation for the “Exemption from Audit” that we all must sign in March.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Caryn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:04pm, Dan 2nd the motion, all approved.