SW Polk Fire District
Regular Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2026 – 15455 Salt Creek Rd. Dallas, OR 97338

Board Members Present	Board Members Absent
SW Polk Fire District Frank Pender Bob Davis Jake Rosenbalm Brad Weaver	Tom Gilson
	Administration Present
	Fred Hertel Sheila Peirce

Virtual- (V) Arrives after roll call- (ARC)

GENERAL BUSINESS		
Call to Order		Frank Pender opens the meeting at 6pm. SW Polk Fire District has a quorum of directors and will allow deliberation, decision making, and will take public comments per the posted agenda. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited during the regular board meeting.
Roll Call		Sheila Peirce called roll as delineated above.
Approval of Minutes	*Discussion/Action*	The board reviewed the minutes for September 10, Regular Meeting. Rosenbalm wants more details in the minutes, especially about financials. **Motion** Davis **Second** Weaver *I move to accept the proposed minutes as the official minutes for the September 10, 2026, Regular Board Meeting.* **Motion Passes with yes vote from Pender, Davis, Weaver and Rosenbalm.** The board reviewed the minutes for September 17, Special Board Meeting, **Motion** Davis **Second** Weaver *I move to accept the proposed minutes as the official minutes for the September 17, 2026, Special Board Meeting.* **Motion Passes with yes vote from Pender, Davis, Weaver and Rosenbalm.**
Financial Report	*Discussion/Action*	The board reviewed the September financial reports. Rosenbalm asked when we expected Conflagration reimbursement. **Motion** Davis **Second** Rosenbalm *I reviewed September's bank statements and financial reports, I move to approve the financials as presented* .

		Motion Passes with yes vote from Pender, Gilson, Davis, Weaver and Rosenbalm.
Audience Participation		None
Old Business		
A. Letter on Mutual Aid Billing	*Discussion/Action*	Tabled
B. Asa Consideration	*Discussion/Action*	SW Polk Fire District did not sign anything with Polk County for our ASA but and ordinance in 2022-2023 holds us accountable for the plan. Board reviewed an excel spreadsheet of monthly bank account deposits from Jan 2025 to September 2026 showing the ups and downs of the revenue generated by our ambulance service.it will take at least 6 months to vacate our ASA. If we go out for a levy in May and it passes, we may need to look at what that looks like with our current ASA. We could give notification at this and if the levy passes, we could rescind or notice at that time. Bob had to leave the meeting at 6:16pm. Rosenbalm- What would we look like if we do vacate the ASA? What would staff look like? Chief Hertel- It would depend on what service level this bord decides they want to give. So many variables if we don't have the commitment to an assigned ASA. As long as we have an ASA we can't make any changes to staffing level. Bob returned at 6:30pm. *I move to vacate the Ambulance Service Area assigned to SW Polk Fire District by the Polk County Commissioners with a rescind clause if the SW Polk operating levy passes in May.* **Motion** Weaver **Second** Davis **Motion Passes with yes vote from Pender, Davis, Weaver and Rosenbalm**
New Business		
A. Resolution 2026-27-03 – Full Faith and Credit Obligation, Series 2026	*Discussion/Action*	Board members discussed the current district loans and how they tied together. **Motion** Weaver **Second** Davis **Motion Passes with yes vote from Pender, Davis, Weaver and Rosenbalm**
Chief's Report	Discussion	• Spaghetti Feed on Saturday from 4:30pm to 7pm • Audit Ongoing • Construction Repairs going well

		• DPSST Recertification • Processing Conflagration Reimbursements • ODOT $240K award – PPL notice should be in November • Academy-January/EMT- November then Test/Water Supply class went great thanks to CTGR
Director Comments	Discussion	Forecast monthly revenue and expenditures. Volunteer numbers- Rosenbalm made a motion to be provided with specific information on each volunteer. Weaver made a Second to the motion. **Motion Fails with a yes vote from Weaver and Rosenbalm and a no vote from Davis and Pender.**
Meeting Adjournment		**Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm**

*Amendments noted in red.