



La Paz Unified **Fire**-Medical District
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Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 25, 2026

1. Call Meeting to Order: **Called to order at 6:04pm by Chairperson Susan Sewell.**
2. Pledge of Allegiance: **All in attendance participated.**
3. Roll Call: **Susan Sewell, Philip Cushman, Pam Wolfe-Brady and Travis Freedmen. Absent: TC Collier. Staff Present: W. Aaron and L.Collier.**
4. Consent Agenda:
 - A. Discussion/ Possible Action re: Approval of Financials and Treasurer's Reports for the month of May 2026.
 - B. Discussion/ Possible Action re: Approval of minutes for the meeting on 5-21-2026.
P.Cushman made a motion to approve the consent agenda. P.Wolfe-Brady seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
5. Old Business: Discussion/ Possible Action
 1. Fire Chief's Report: **Discussion Only**
6. **Call to the Public:** Those wishing to address the Fire District Board need not request permission in advance. The Fire District Board is not permitted to discuss or take action on any item raised in the call to the public due to restrictions under Open Meeting Law. However, individual Board Members may respond to criticism directed toward them. Otherwise, the Board may direct that staff review the matter or that the matter be placed on a future agenda. **Citizen Patti Rinehart asked for clarification from the Fire Chiefs report regarding fire engine 7702 being out of service with the upcoming fireworks show in Salome. Chief Aaron explained that the district has back up fire apparatus that are in service and available for usage when needed. Patti also asked if we could clarify where the public surplus revenue was from selling our surplus vehicles. Chief Aaron explained that the money for that was received in early June and will be documented for the June financials.**

7. **Discussion / Possible Action:** Review of Recent State Legislation Affecting District Operations (HB 2663 and HB 2876). **The board spoke about the need for these items to be in future policy manual adoptions for compliance. Board member T.Freedman made a motion to have these reviewed and implemented. Board Clerk P.Cushman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

- **HB 2663 – Military Leave:** Expands protected military leave requirements for public employers by requiring leave for all training performed under competent military orders.
- **HB 2876 – Executive Sessions and Board Agendas:** Prohibits proposals to impose or increase taxes, assessments, or fees from being placed on a consent agenda and requires matters discussed in executive session to be placed on a regular agenda before final action is taken.

8. Adjourn Meeting. **Chairperson S.Sewell adjourned the meeting at 6:27pm.**

The next scheduled board meeting is July 23rd, 2026, at 18:00.

Susan Sewell, Chairperson

Philip Cushman, Clerk