

Pace Fire Rescue District
Regular Meeting
October 20, 2025

1. Meeting Called to Order

Present: Chairman Nick Gradia, Vice-Chairman Daniel Mills,
Secretary Jeremy Johnston, and Commissioner Lynn Garrett
Excused Absent: Treasurer Felix Hernandez

- a. Chairman Nick Gradia called the meeting to order at approximately 5:03 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

- a. Chairman Nick Gradia led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Moment of Silence

- a. A moment of silence was observed.

4. Public Form

- a. The Board acknowledges the public, no one was in attendance.

5. Minutes from the previous meeting

- a. A Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for September 15th was 1st made by Vice-Chairman Mills and 2nd by Commission Garrett. A Motion to approve the Tentative Budget Meeting Minutes for September 15th was 1st made by Vice-Chairman Mills and 2nd by Commission Garrett. A Motion to approve the Final Budget Meeting Minutes for September 29th was 1st made by Vice-Chairman Mills and 2nd by Commission Garrett
- b. Motions passed, unanimously.

6. Financial Report (Written report attached)

- a. A Motion to approve the Financial Report was 1st made by Secretary Johnston and 2nd by Commissioner Garrett.
- b. Motion passed, unanimously.

7. Chief's Report (Written report attached)

- a. Chief Whitfield presented the monthly report.
- b. Informational purposes only, no action is needed.

8. Station 4 Construction Update

- a. Chief Whitfield reported lockers have been installed, SCBA (air compressor) was on it's way. The final walk-through with the contractor will be on Wednesday, October 22nd at 9:00 a.m. Secretary Johnston asked if the delay had been because of the contractor but Chief Whitfield assured him it had not been. The delay was due to permitting changes between the county and state. Chairman Gradia asked if the "punch list" had major issues that needed to be repaired. Chief Whitfield said there were only minor things that needed to be addressed on the punch list. Chief Whitfield felt confident we would have a "move in" date after the walk-through on Wednesday.
- b. Informational purposes only, no action is needed.

9. State EMS Grant Update

- a. Chief Whitfield informed the Board that the funds for the grant of \$46,500.00 had been deposited and we received a smaller check of \$407.00 came in today. The Video Laryngoscope will not be ordered until January due to a recall by the manufacturer. Once the Video Laryngoscope is ordered it will include the Ultrasound equipment.
- b. Informational purposes only; no action needed at this time.

10. Firefighters Supplemental Comp Surplus Funds

- a. Chief Whitfield reported the district receiving surplus funds for 2024 that were deposited into the Firefighter Pension Fund as directed.
- b. Informational purposes only, no action is needed.

11. Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Budget Amendment

- a. Chief Whitfield and Rachel Connell, Accountant; explained budget modifications that need to be done at the end of the budget year for auditing purposes due to miscellaneous reasons.
- b. A Motion to approve the Budget Modifications was 1st made by Vice-Chairman Mills and 2nd by Secretary Johnston.
- c. Motion passed, unanimously.

12. Representative Boyles Proposed Legislation

- a. Chairman Gradia discussed a meeting he and Chief Whitfield and few other people attended with Representative Boyles. Chairman Gradia discussed what was presented to Representative Boyles and Representative Boyles reaction and comments. Chairman Gradia feels a need to meet with Representative Boyles again to express the pros and cons of his new "Bill" he will be presenting. Commissioner Garrett and Vice-Chairman Mills expressed their concerns of the public not knowing what is going on and we should put the information that we know out to the public. They believe if the public was aware of the "Bill" they

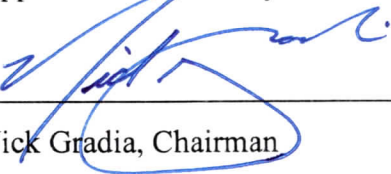
will have a better chance to go to Representative Boyles if they know about the "Bill". After a thorough discussion, Chief Whitfield will be drafting a public announcement, forwarding it to the Board for their approval. Chief Whitfield will contact Representative Boyles' office to set up a meeting.

- b. Informational purposes only, no action is needed.

13. Motion to Adjourn

- a. There being no further business, a Motion to Adjourn was 1st Vice-Chairman Mills made by and 2nd by Commissioner Garrett.
- b. Motion passed, unanimously.
- c. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:35 p.m.

Approved this 24th day of November 2025.



Nick Gradia, Chairman