



Fountain Lake Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners Monthly Meeting April 20, 2026



CALL TO ORDER:

6:00 pm

Jack Fields called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER

ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: QUORUM PRESENT

Jack Fields (Chairperson)
John Brandt (Secretary/Treasurer)
Joe Turner
Kenny Kizer

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

John introduced Jason Curtis who was selected by Judge Mahoney to serve as a commissioner on the board filling position #4 for the remainder of the term.

OTHER ATTENDEES: Chief Jake Landes, Assistant Chief Lenny Breshears, Lieutenant Junior Collins, Medical Captain Cici Collins, Lieutenant Austin Sands, Captain William Norris, Konrad Rogers, Sami Maiorano, Jarred Owens, Corey Montgomery, Johnny Arnold, Katrina Scott, Brian Shannon, and Lyn Price

PRIOR MONTH MEETING MINUTES:

Minutes from the March 2026 regular board meeting were presented by John. The March 2026 minutes were accepted as presented by consensus.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

John presented the P&L, Balance Sheet, and Statement of Cash Flow reports for the month of March 2026. Jason being new to the board had a few questions as he was trying to get up to speed.

The February 2026 Financial reports were accepted as presented by consensus.

Training:

Jake reported that a second training day on Saturdays has been added. Tuesday nights is dedicated to training for firefighting. Saturday nights is dedicated to driver training. This has been added because of the complaints that have been received about the department's driving. Attendance was good. He has contacted the academy to schedule a Firefighter I program. Jake has an Instructor I which means he can teach both Firefighter I and II. Jake's plan is that beginning the later part of May through August he will be doing Firefighter I training. By then everyone will have a Firefighter I certification. The goal in 2027 is to get everyone training for Firefighter II certification. For new personnel he will schedule their Intro and PPE to be completed within their first 90 days and they will have to complete Wildlands training before the end of their first year. He will also be holding Firefighter I and II training every year so our personnel are all trained at a Firefighter II level. He will make sure that everyone has every opportunity to get this training. Even if they have to miss a class, Jake will help them make up this missing work. Jake was asked if Saturday training is mandatory. Jake said it is mandatory, but just like the Tuesday night training people can have an excused absence. Just like with the Tuesday night training, anyone missing three training nights in a row for unexcused absences may have their position on the department terminated. Jake said he will give everyone every opportunity to get the training they need. Jake is setting a standard for all personnel. He does not see a difference between paid and volunteer firefighters. He said by doing this and logging more training will help with our ISO rating.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Jake reported that we had a total of 63 total calls for the month of March. There were 10 fires, 42 emergency medical calls, 3 service calls, 4 hazardous conditions, 1 good intent, and 3 rescue/ agency assist calls with Pafford.

Chief's report was accepted as presented by consensus.

PUBLICITY REPORT:

John reported that he has posted the normal activity about our board meeting and road closures due to accidents. John will talk to Jake about getting information about training to post.

Publicity report accepted by consensus.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- Engine 1

- Engine #1 is service, but Chris Marler has not gotten back to Jake about getting a quote to fix the front end. Jake said he will look for someone else to look at this apparatus.
- John said that he still needs to get two appraisals or at least someone who can say at what amount this apparatus might be valued.
- Engine 2
 - Is in service
 - Tanker #1 is in service.
- Tanker 2
 - Jake is taking Tanker 2 out of service. He dais that Caldwell's is waiting on parts to repair the pump
- **Motion: Jason moved that we authorized Jake to get two new motors not to exceed \$3,000.**
- **Second: Kenny Seconded**
- **Passed: Unanimously**
- Rescue 1
 - This truck is good.
- Rescue 2
 - .Out of service because it got wrecked. John passed out the information from out insurance company. They totaled out this truck. They show the actual cash value as \$25,666.They show two options for us to consider. Our first option is if we want to retain salvage and we keep the vehicle. Under this option We would get the cash value of \$25,666 less the high salvage bid of \$752 and also less our \$500 deductible. That would give us a check in the amount of \$24,414. Our second option is to not retain salvage and we do not keep the truck. We would receive a settlement in the amount of the actual cash value of \$24,766 minus our \$500 deductible for a total settlement of \$25,166. There was discussion about the comparables being Pierce vehicles and are not the same as our Spartan truck. John informed the board that we have the option of finding our own comparables to present to the insurance company.
- **Motion: Joe moved that do research to find better comparables for Rescue #2..**
- **Second: Jsaon Seconded**

- **Passed: Unanimously**
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- Brush 2 (Forestry)
 - .Bill Bray looked at this truck. Bill said it really just needs to be tuned up. Jason said he stopped by when Bill was there and Jason touched the 4wheel drive shifter and he said he did not think it was fully locked into 2high.as it moved too much. He said it is possible that someone may have hit it or touched it and moved it out of 2high and put it into 4low. Bill drove the truck and there was nothing wrong with it. It does have a transmission leak. One of the bolts is missing out of the transmission pan. Bill also mentioned something about a modulator valve that may be going out on it. Bill said he thinks he can do the work on it for about \$300.
- Station 1
 - Driveway Apron (John)
 - Tabled
 - Awnings. (John)
 - Tabled
- Station 2
 - Tabled.

Maintenance report is accepted by consensus.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Agreed Upon Procedures – John**
 - John reported that the accountant has our 2024 records. Now that tax season is over they will be working on this.
- **Tow Chains (Kenny)**
 - The tow chains are for towing our vehicles. This will be tabled until next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Apparatus Inventory (Jake)**
 - Jake reported that they recently did an inventory on each apparatus. Over the years some tools and equipment is missing. Some may have been left

at scenes over a period of time. Jake started reading a list and John said he can make a copy to give to each of the board members. Jake also mentioned that we have a n need for medical supplies. There was discussion about what items Pafford will replace and how we might be able to get supplies

- **Firefighter's meal (John)**
 - The firefighters determined that they wanted Popeyes this month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- The board went into Executive Session at this time.

The board came out of Executive Session and opened the meeting back up.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

Brian Shannon – Brian asked if Harry can be allowed back on the department. John said as far as he is concerned is not now nor will be back on the department.

Lyn Price – Lyn congratulated Jason on being on the board

7:47 pm

Motion to adjourn: John moved to adjourn

Second: Jason Seconded

Passed: Unanimously

Meeting minutes submitted by:

John Brandt, Secretary/Treasurer