



Fountain Lake Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners Monthly Meeting August 17, 2026



CALL TO ORDER:

6:10 pm

Jack Fields (Chairperson) 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
Jason Curtis

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

OTHER ATTENDEES: Interim Chief Lee Coatney, Captain Junior Collins, Medical Captain Cici Collins, Kason Clark, Brady Smith, Harry Baker, Katrina Scott, and Lyn Price

EMR Class:

Thomas Dysinger introduced himself to discuss providing an EMR class to the department. He said his certification is through Alert. He has done military and law enforcement training. The civilian company he is with has several people who are all nationally certified. He stated there are a lot of different versions out there for EMR training. It is also important as to who is doing the training. Are they stated certified or nationally certified? He said he has had several conversations with Lee over the last couple of weeks. He said it is about a 56 hour class. He said that there may be times when a class is scheduled, but due to having to respond to a call, we might not be available. He said the option he has for the civilian company he works for can provide a discounted rate. He said that the company he is with can also schedule some to teach



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parts of the class that might not have a fee at all for their portion of the class. He said that what he and Lee have discussed is weaving in some of our ongoing training that might be a part of the 56 hour class. In other words, might we do the class with the same instructor from the same organization or different parts by different instructors. He said that Lee already has a Stop the Bleed class and a CPR class being scheduled. Those are two of the modules of the 56 hours EMR class. He recognizes that budget and the number of class hours is going to be important for which to plan. He said he can work with Lee to move forward and start with the two classes he already has scheduled. He was asked if he has contacted the Academy to make sure their training will be recognized. He said he has not yet contacted them, but they are on the list to get in touch with. Lee mentioned that the Academy is not involved with EMR classes. They only provide a Fire Fighter First Aid class.

PRIOR MONTH MEETING MINUTES:

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

FINANCIAL REPORT:

John presented the July Bank Statements, Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet, and Statement of Cash Flow reports for the month of July 2026 along with the year to date reports through July 2026.

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

Training:

Lee reported that training is going good. One training night we had a structure fire across from Bumble Bee. They have done some Rope and Ladder training and Stokes Basket. He said they had an in-house auto extrication. Jason asked if these classes were certified training. Lee said they were only in-house training. Lee said he is scheduling an advanced auto extrication class for January which will be certified through the academy. Jason asked Lee what the requirements are now to do an LP Gas class. Lee said he has not seen it listed on the academy schedule. Jason recommended that Lee reach out to the Village and surrounding departments because that is a good class for any who have not had that training.

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CHIEF'S REPORT:

Interim Chief Lee Coatney reported that he did not have the July numbers. John said he was pulling them up on his computer. John reported that there were a total of 68 incidents in July. The break down as follows: 4 fires, 50 rescue and emergency medical services, 3 service calls, 1 hazardous condition, 1 good intent, 4 false alarms, and 5 Pafford assists.

Chief's report was accepted as presented by consensus.

PUBLICITY REPORT:

John reported that he published road closures and our meeting for tonight. He has also published pictures from Lee showing training that has been done on Tuesday nights. Just last week we announced the Burn Ban that went into effect. Jason asked if we can publish the board meetings for people to have access. John said he will look into that. Jason said that in his opinion if we can do that it might help to reduce some of the FOIA requests.

Publicity report accepted by consensus.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- Engine 1
 - Lee said that he is still waiting to hear from Ryan of Lennox Service. He was not able to find the part, so he was going to a hydraulic place to build it. Lee said this is the steering actuary. He should get back with Lee to tell him what the cost will be. Jason asked if there are any items that should be on the truck that are missing. Lee said he did not have that information with him. Jason said he does not know if anything is missing, but that Lee should be keeping up to make sure that the tools and equipment that are supposed to be on the trucks are on them. Jason said that there always will be something missing. It might have been something left at a fire scene that we need to go back and retrieve. Jason recommended to Lee that he should look at what tools and equipment are required for each of the trucks we have to meet NFPA standards. Then he can let the board know what is needed and we will know how to plan and budget to get



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what is required. He said that you can find what is required to be on each truck by looking at the NFPA standards.

- 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
 - Lee reported that last night going to a brush fire it went up to 2000 rpms and he did not know if he was going to get there. Lee said then, the module for the pressure idle on the back would not work. Lee said he messaged the gentleman from Banner to come out and see what is wrong with it. Lee said it drove back fine with no water in it. Jason asked Harry what he thinks the problem might be. Harry said he did not know and would have to look at it to see.
- Tanker #1
 - Is good.
- Tanker 2
 - Is good..
- Rescue 1
 - Is good.
- Rescue 2
 - John said that the last he heard was that Jason was going to look at this apparatus, but he is busy. John recently had a message from Brian Shannon saying he was going to meet Lee or someone at the station to look at this apparatus. Lees said that his contact with Banner gave him the name and number of a body shop in Morrilton that does big trucks and fire engines. Lee will give them a call. John said that it was mentioned that the damage to this apparatus is mainly cosmetic. We need to find out if it can be repaired within the amount of money that the insurance company has offered. Lyn Price said that since the truck has been sitting there someone has cut the entire wiring harness out. There was discussion about cameras at Station #2. Jason said that he knows that when he was here there were cameras at Station #2.



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- Brush 2 (Forestry)
 - .This truck is in service.
- Station 1
 - Driveway Apron (John)
 - Tabled
 - Awnings. (John)
 - Tabled
- Station 2
 - Tabled.

Maintenance report is accepted by consensus.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Pressure Washer - Lee**
 - Lee said that he and Jason never got a chance to look at it.
- **Bank Account Signatures - John**
 - John reported that BankOZK has the forms ready for everyone to sign. We have to each go individually to the branch in front of Walmart and ask for either Zach or Jancen to sign the documents. Chambers told me they were still waiting for information from Jack and Jason. Jason said he banks there. They have his information. Jack said he has already sent in his information.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Crows Property - Lee**
 - Lee said he talked with someone from Crows Fire Department and they reported that the property is still in the Fountain Lake Fire Department's name. They need to do some building repairs and they cannot get a loan because the property is not listed as owned by them. John asked why that property would have even been in our name. Jason said that originally it was in the Fountain Lake Fire Department. He said the department went all the way to Highway 9 and that at one time Fountain Lake was the



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largest fire district. John said that we just need to find the deed and have a new deed made up to sign it over to Crows.

- **Firefighter's meal (John)**
 - The majority of the firefighters requested Smokin' in Style for their meal this month.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

Jack Fields reported that the Town of Fountain Lake will be having their Community Block Party on Saturday, October 3rd from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. They will have Clampitt's Barbecue and hot dogs and hamburgers. There will also be a petting zoo and last year there was a monkey with which people could take pictures. There will also be games and bounce houses.

Lyn Price – Lyn asked if the board must get three quotes to get work done. John explained that any work that will exceed \$3,500 requires the board to get three bids. Under \$3,500 the board can select a vendor. This was passed by the board two or three years ago. Thomas Dysinger asked if there are not vendors in the area and we had to go to Ohio, would we still require three bids? Lyn then asked if we tried to find out which chief authorized Rescue #2 to be stripped. Lee said it was not him. Joe said that we will need to talk to Jake and find out whether we need to fill out a police report. Jason said that before we do anything we need to find out if they were told to do it and who told them.

Kason Clark – Kason asked why we have SCBAs stored around the station. Lee said they came off of Rescue #2. Kason then asked if there is nowhere else we can put them on a truck? Lee said all the engines have SCBAs on them. Kason then said that we normally do not have more than two people on a truck. Isn't it possible to mount them on a backseat and strap them in some way because it can be beneficial to have more tanks at a fire if needed. Jason responded stating that they must be mounted in a legal mounting system. Kason asked if he got mounts for them to put in the truck it will be okay. Jason said we would need to purchase the back seat or the appropriate seat it would mount. Lyn stated that he remembers ordering mounts a while back. John said he has no recollection of that. He will have to check his invoices from Casco to confirm that.

Jason – Jason asked if we got a list of the firefighters and their training records. Jason said that the firefighters themselves must request their own records. John asked Lee if he had requested the firefighters to fill out the forms to request their records. Jason asked Lee to have each person request a copy of their transcript. Jason asked if Casey



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Clark is still serving in the military. Lee said he was back from military duty in June. Jason asked Lee how many people are on the fire department. Lee said we have 15 people. Brady Smith then stated that no one is responding. Jason stated that in his opinion, medical calls come second. We are a fire department.

6:57 pm

Motion to adjourn: John moved to adjourn

Second: Joe Seconded

Passed: Unanimously

Meeting minutes submitted by:

John Brandt, Secretary/Treasurer