

COLUMBUS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONTHLY MEETING Minutes
July 14, 2025

CALL MEETING TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 5:39 pm.

Present Curt Robbins, Debbie Parod, Brent Parkins by cell phone, John Patterson by cell phone
Fire Chief: Rich Cowger **Assistant Fire Chief** Nick Jacobs **Battalion Chief** Travis Hansen
Admin Assistant Lisa Westervelt
Visitors Dan Otis, Kyle Starr

PUBLIC COMMENT None

Presentations of Communications None

APPROVE MINUTES Minutes for the meetings of June 10th, 2025, were approved as presented.

TREASURER REPORT The treasurer's report was presented. See attached report. Income of \$60,148.15, expenses of \$364,300.57. Expenses include payrolls and expenses for contract assignments; \$14,500 deposit for work at the maintenance building; the Frontline FF physicals, the majority of those expenses will be reimbursed through the grant; the audit bill, and quarterly incentive payouts. There was a motion made by Debbie to pay the bills in the amount of \$364,300.57. John seconded the motion, voted all in favor, motion carried.

CHIEF REPORT See attached.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS

Park City Fire and Ambulance/Columbus potential merger update

NEW MEMBER APPROVAL None

OLD BUSINESS

SAFER Grant/AFG Grant Closeout

Maintenance building update: Contractor has ground leveled out, working on drain system and permits from the City. An oil separator is required that wasn't originally included. There is some extra work needed because some posts were found to be rotting, so some remediation work will be done to secure those posts. Also looking at planning for a bathroom in the original building.

Mechanic/Maintenance Position Update: Have continued interest

NEW BUSINESS

Permissive Health Care Levy

Pre-tax Benefits included in FURS Calculations: If Interested, will build this into the budget to see what the numbers are.

Preliminary Budget – Chief will have generic budget information sent out in email to review before the next meeting. May build in a brush truck cab/chassis.

OTHER MEMBERS BUSINESS

Debbie asked to clarify the fund allocations from fire/wildland contract revenues discussed in previous meetings was just the revenues generated from the engines, all other funds will be reimbursements for expenses the District paid for fire/wildland contracts and assignments.


Curt will be gone from August 3rd thru August 12th and may not be available for the next meeting. We will leave the meeting as scheduled for now, may adjust the date later.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/Public Comment None

ADJOURN The meeting was adjourned at 6:06 PM

NEXT MEETING July 14th 2025 – 5:30 PM Fire Station 944 E. Pike Ave, Columbus

Minutes submitted by Lisa Westervelt

 John D. Lattin Vice President
Chairman: Curt Robbins

 Debbie Parod
Secretary: Debbie Parod