

# **Drakes Crossing Rural Fire Protection District**

19364 Powers Creek Loop Rd. NE Silverton, OR 9781

April 16, 2026

7:00 p.m. – Thursday

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Board members Present:** Angela Frye, Chuck Goode, Mike Rich, Mary Anne Heuchert

**Board members Absent:** Elizabeth Muller

**Staff Present:** Chief Hamilton, Sarah DeBrito

**Staff Absent:** None

Meeting called to order by Board President; Angie Frye at 7:01pm

Approval of February 2026 meeting minutes: Chuck Goode made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Mike Rich seconded. The motion carried.

### **Clerk's Report:**

Mike Rich made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Chuck Goode seconded. The motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Seismic Grant & Procurement:**

Chief Hamilton is meeting with Brian to finalize all details for the project to go to bid.

#### **Website/email:**

The website is live. Chief Hamilton continues to work on setting up the .gov emails for the board and staff.

#### **County wide Radio Project:**

Chief Hamilton attended the METCOM meeting on Tuesday. They are actively making upgrades to infrastructure. The first phase is expected to roll out in August of 2026 with the goal that by Spring of 2027 all will be implemented into the project.

#### **New Building progress:**

Chief Hamilton has continued to work on expanding existing 2 doors or the option of 1 large door to replace existing doors.

#### **Grant Report:**

None

#### **New Business:**

None

### **Chief Report**

Chief Hamilton reported the 5 calls that occurred since the last meeting. The district has 22 calls year to date compared to 25 calls in 2025. One incident of mention was the fall/rope rescue on 4/1 with multiple agencies including Salem's rope rescue team. Chief Hamilton reported he is well into preparing the budget for the following fiscal year. Chief Hamilton completed his initial review of the board policies and send them to the board chair for a second review.

### **Correspondence & Announcements**

Next meeting will be May 21, 2026 at 7:00pm immediately following the Budget Committee Meeting at 6:30pm

### **Adjournment**

Meeting Adjourned at 7:20pm