

# Drakes Crossing Rural Fire Protection District

19364 Powers Creek Loop Rd. NE Silverton, OR 9781

March 19, 2026

7:00 p.m. – Thursday

## Meeting Minutes

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

**Board members Absent:** None

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

**Staff Absent:** None

Meeting called to order by Board President; Angie Frye at 7:05pm

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

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

One invoice to note was to Matt Aalto for the .gov website design for \$3000.

Mike Rich made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Elizabeth Muller seconded. The motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

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

Chief Hamilton let the board the project is going to be up for solicitation at the end of the month.

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

Chief Hamilton contacted Matt Aalto, a battalion chief at Estacada Fire who builds websites. The website is live. Chief Hamilton asked the board to preview the website and to send any corrections or modifications to him and Matt will work on those. Chief Hamilton is working on the setup of the emails. It was decided the director positions will be preferred addresses for the board members so they can be passed over at the end of terms.

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

Chief Hamilton had no update since the last meeting on this project.

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

Chief Hamilton has been in contact with M&W and presented the board 2 options. For labor and materials to widen the existing doors would be \$15,423 for non-insulated doors and \$17,403 for insulated. This would gain 9" on 2 doors and 6" on 1 door. Chuck Goode asked Chief Hamilton

to look into another option. Consider making 1 big door for 2 of the existing doors. Chief Hamilton will work with M&W on this option.

**MVA Billing:**

Angie Frye has been billing for the motor vehicle accidents since 2018 for Drakes Crossing Fire District. She started a business to do file for other agencies; Cost Recovery Services, LLC. She is proposing that she charges a \$125 flat fee for each one she does for the district. The contract was presented to the board. Angie Frye declared a conflict of interest and abstained from discussion and voting on this item. Chuck Goode made a motion to accept the proposal from Cost Recovery Services, LLC. Elizabeth Muller seconded. The motion carried.

**Grant Report:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**Chief Report**

Chief Hamilton reported the 4 calls that occurred since the last meeting. The district has 17 calls year to date compared to 14 calls in 14. Chief Hamilton reported he ordered replacement wildland and structural helmets for members whose we were close to expiring. Fire season is predicted to start early this year due to the dry winter and less than 30% normal snow pack.

**Correspondence & Announcements**

Next meeting will be April 16, 2026 at 7:00pm

**Adjournment**

Meeting Adjourned at 7:37pm