EAST PRIEST LAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
&
BUDGET HEARING
August 20, 2026 at 6:30 P.M.
48 E Trout Lane, Coolin ID 83821
In Person or Join Meeting by Zoom

MEETING MINUTES

Welcome - (Commissioner Clevenger) The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Clevenger at 6:31 P.M. Commissioner Tom Clevenger, Commissioner Ann McKinstry, Commissioner Keith Hanson, Chief Tom Renzi, Assistant Chief Dave Tewel, Secretary Jaime Yob, and Guests – Jim Westberg, Kathlene & Jim McClain (call in), Dave Nicklson (call in), Tori Dinowitz (call in).

Declaration of Quorum - (Commissioner Clevenger)

ACTION ITEM

Approval of May 21, 2026 Meeting Minutes & July 14, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes - (Commissioner Clevenger) Minutes handed out and reviewed. Motion by Commissioner McKinstry: move to approve meeting minutes for 5.21.26 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Hanson. Motion approved. Motion by Commissioner McKinstry: move to approve meeting minutes 7.14.26 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Hanson. Motion approved.

REPORTS

Financial Report *ACTION ITEM* - (Secretary) Before the meeting all Commissioners, Chief and Assistant Chief were provided with a Balance Sheet, May- July Check Register, ICCU Statement, May- July Profit & Loss. Secretary gave a financial report for May- July to include total assets, all statements, income received and bills paid. All questions answered. Motion by Commissioner McKinstry: move to approve statements, bills and reports as presented for May- July. Commissioner Hanson seconded. Financial report approved.

CD Renewal Discussed ICCU CD maturing August 27th, interest rate of 3.95%. All commissioners are ok with auto renewal for another 6 months.

Fire Chief's Report *ACTION ITEM* - (Chief Renzi) Volunteer Hoisington loaned his house and land for a practice house fire. 344 hours and 17 calls this year. Two new volunteers and one has already responded to a call. Going to bring the volunteer to storage to get him fitted for fire gear and train same day on all equipment. All equipment received for IDL PPE Grant of $12,000. Invoice will be paid in full and then 90% is reimbursed. All equipment was purchased from IDL. Bonner County Fire District Grant-working on getting this for SCBAs. Also working on Gary Sinise Grant for new battery and operated extrication equipment. Updates made to the apparatus check forms. 2621 pending check engine light cleared. Continuing to look for an air supply trailer.

OLD BUSINESS

District Name Change *ACTION ITEM* Tabled topic from prior meeting, discussion continued. The Fire Chief requested that the Board consider changing the district's name and removing "Protection" from the official title. Chief discussed research he completed on the name change and what each entity would require. The start is with Bonner County once it is approved in a meeting. Discussed Idaho Statute 31-1416 and why Protection was included when the district was formed. Motion to remove Protection was previously made at a prior meeting and tabled. Motion by Commissioner Hanson: move to change the district name from East Priest Lake Fire Protection District to East Priest Lake Fire District. Commissioner McKinstry seconded. Discussion took place on the suggestion to drop Protection out of the district's name. Hanson voted yes, McKinstry voted no and Clevenger voted no. Motion did not carry.

NEW BUSINESS

Active 911 Alert & En Route Call System Discussion about Active911 lack of information provided for a call and IAmResponding provides more information. Dispatch wants to use IAmResponding and would like everyone to also

change. No rapid SOS yet. Discussed costs. Chief will follow up with what other lake districts' thoughts are on changing alert system.

FY 2027 Budget Hearing *ACTION ITEM*
Proposed 2027 budget was handed out to all the commissioners, reviewed and discussed. All questions answered. Motion by Commissioner Hanson: move to accept the budget as presented and open up to the public. Commissioner Clevenger seconded. All in favor. Budget Hearing was opened to the public for comments/questions/concerns. No questions/comments/concerns. Budget hearing was closed to the public. Motion by Commissioner Hanson: move to accept the budget as presented for FY 2027. Commissioner Clevenger seconded. All in favor. Budget approved.

Land Update The district is pursuing a piece of private property for the fire station adjacent to East Shore Rd just south of Horton Creek Rd. Everything looking good from a county & state procedure perspective. Working on getting legal documents in place to formalize the agreement.

Executive Session 74-206(1)(c) Land Review *ACTION ITEM*
Motion by Commissioner Clevenger: move to go into Executive Session 74-206 (1)(c) for Land Review.
Commissioner Hanson seconded.
Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner McKinstry voted Yes
Commissioner Hanson voted Yes
Commissioner Clevenger voted Yes.
Motion approved.
All Commissioners, Secretary, Chief, Assistant Chief and Lieutenant Westberg went into Executive Session at 7:27 P.M. Everyone came out of Executive Session at 7:59 P.M. No further discussion.

Kudos/Comments/Concerns

Adjourn Motion by Commissioner Hanson: move to end the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner McKinstry. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Next Regular Meeting November 19, 2026 6:30 P.M. at 48 East Lake Trout Lane, Coolin, ID 83821
Come to our convenient Fire Training in Coolin 1st Saturdays 9 A.M. and 3rd Wednesdays 6 P.M.
Contact Chief Tom Renzi at (509) 638-9388 for more info!