

# Emery County Fire Protection District Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, June 16th, 2025

Location: 75 East Main Street, Castle Dale, Utah

Box Conference Room

In Attendance: Ben Lehnhoff (Chairman), Stoney Jensen (Elmo), Nancy Livingston (Cleveland), Chase Majors (Huntington), Tracy Addley (Orangeville), Randy Kenney (Ferron), Nosh Arrian (Castle Dale), Scott McClaughty (Emery), (Member at Large), Jeramy Jorgensen (State Lands), Paul (BLM), (UFRA), Commissioner Jordan Leonard and Natalie Olsen.

## **1. Approval of the May 19th, 2025 meeting:**

Nosh made a motion to approve the minutes with a second from Scott. The motion passed unanimously.

## **2. Discuss/Approve/Deny UFRA Comments and Business:**

No one present

## **3. Discuss/Approve/Deny Forestry, Fire, State Lands Comments and Business:**

Jeramy: Sent out an email out last week to get your DOT inspections in.

\*Turn in your red cards if you have not turned them in yet.

## **4. Discuss/Approve/Deny BLM Comments and Business:**

Cody via email: If you get a wildland fire, make sure to let Moab/Uinta Basin Dispatch know. (Whoever we are dispatching through, or contact Cody 435 299 0778)

\*Request the BLM if you think you need them on a wildland fire, they can always turn around if not needed. It's no cost to anyone

\*If anyone wants the BLM to attend the parades or for firework support - contact me (Cody 435 299 0778)

## **5. Discuss/Approve/Deny Mineral Lease Money and Budget so far this year:**

Ben gave out a paper with what the budget has been doing the last three months.

January wasn't impressive, we only profited \$4,000.00 January is usually not great.

February is not even close to normal numbers. In March we went up to \$5,200. Hopefully the trends get better. The county will have to make a decision on what happens with the district if the money keeps going down.

It was asked if it was an option to use TRT money to keep the district going if needed?

## **6: Discuss/Approve/Deny Opening MOU to change so Chief can Carry Handheld Radios:**

Section three paragraph seven in the MOU talks about keeping the radios in the Fire Station or the Fire Engines vehicles at all times.

It was discussed to change it so Fire chiefs could take the radios home but if they get ruined they are responsible for it.

Nosh asked if the cities were responsible for the radios anyway. The chiefs are always on call. He suggested that we put in the MOU that if the radio gets ruined the city is responsible for it.

Chase asked if the radios are district owned? And also asked if we are tracking the serial numbers of the district's radios?

Chase made a motion to amend Section three of the MOU regarding the policy on handheld radios being left at the stations, with a second from Randy. Stoney opposed, but the motion passed by majority vote.

Nosh made a motion that each city be held responsible—outside of the board's discretion—for all costs, liabilities, and replacements related to their own L3Harris handheld radios, with a second from Scott. Voting was unanimous.

**7: Discuss/Approve/Deny County Training Committee (Kyla):**

Scott: They are working on hosting a Fire I Fire II class. Looking for dates.

Does everyone want to keep county training on the third Saturday of each month? After discussing, everyone thought to leave the training on the third Saturday. Ben said he is getting a live fire trailer for Green River. They are planning for November, when he gets a date he will let everyone know.

**8. Discuss/Approve/Deny Motion to Pay the Bills:**

Stoney made a motion to pay the bills with a second from Chase. Voting was unanimous.

**9. Citizens Concern:**

No one was present.

**10. Chiefs Round Table:**

**Tracy:** Huntington was really good over at the Clawson fire. He appreciated their help.

**Chase:** He still has the foam at the station for the three Fire Departments that haven't picked theirs up.

Fireworks are coming. Will get in contact with some of the Fire Chiefs about moving racks for the fireworks later in the week.

**Nancy:** The mayor will make her decision Wednesday night on who the new Fire Chief will be.

**Randy:** Sincere thanks to everyone who came to Clawson to assist with the fire—your help was greatly appreciated. It was great to have that much help. The Ferron has a couple new recruits.

Randy asked about the \$5609. Does it matter what trucks he buys the equipment for? It was discussed that, since no specific truck was designated, he has the flexibility to buy equipment for whichever truck he chooses.

Any of the crews that do not make it on Thursday for first aid class, his assistant chief has scheduled another first aid/CPR class July 5th at Ferron Station. Full info will be sent out to the Chief text thread.

Stoney: Reminder of the training this Thursday in the county building. Let him know the numbers of who will be attending.

**11. Adjourn:**

Chase made a motion to adjourn with a second from Stoney.