



Hurricane Valley Fire District

202 East State Street, Hurricane, Utah 84737
Administrative Office (435) 635-9562



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Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Fire Station #46/64

56 N Coral Canyon Blvd, Hurricane UT 84737

Board Members Present

Board Member LaRene Cox
Board Member Wayne Peterson
Board Member Todd Sands
Board Member Randy Aton
Board Member Robin Smith
Board Member Paul Luwe
Board Member Scot Pectol
Board Member Dave Imlay

Staff

Chief Joseph Decker
Deputy Chief Kohl Furley
Deputy Chief Nick Wright
Treasurer Megan Ayala
Clerk Mel Falaniko
Legal Counsel Ben Ruesch

A. ***Called to Order*** – by *Board Member LaRene Cox* at 4:05 pm.

Invocation by Invitation – *Todd Sands*

Pledge of Allegiance – *Paul Luwe*

Motion: ***Board Member Wayne Peterson:*** to amend the agenda, modify the agenda to move item B down below to D1, beginning with the vote on chair and vice chair.

Second: ***Board Member Randy Aton***

Vote:

<i>Board Member LaRene Cox</i>	<i>AYE</i>
<i>Board Member Wayne Peterson</i>	<i>AYE</i>
<i>Board Member Todd Sands</i>	<i>AYE</i>
<i>Board Member Randy Aton</i>	<i>AYE</i>
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Motion: *Board Member Wayne Peterson:* Nominated LaRene to be chair, motion to vote chair and vice chair by acclamation. Todd Sands will serve as Vice Chair

Second: *Board Member Randy Aton*

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<i>Board Member Scot Pectol</i>	<i>AYE</i>
<i>Board Member Dave Imlay</i>	<i>AYE</i>

B. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest from the Board

Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes: December 1, 2025
3. Review Checks & Deposits from Dec 2025 – Jan 2026- Feb 2026

Motion: *Board Member Paul Luwe:* Approval of consent agenda, the remaining items, and approval of the Minutes Dec 1st, Dec 15th, and Review of Checks and Deposits from Dec 2025 – Jan 2026 – Feb 2026

Second: *Board Member Robin Smith*

Vote:

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- c. *Citizen Comment & Request for Future Agenda Items:* All public comments need to be submitted in writing and emailed to info@hvfssd.org by noon on the day of the meeting. No action may be taken on the matter raised under this agenda item. This item is reserved for items not listed on this agenda. (Three minutes per person)



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Public Comment

None

D. Business:

1. **Oath of office** – Pinning of Battalion Chief Dave Harmon by wife
2. **2026 Board Meeting Schedule** – Approved 2026 meeting dates for every 2nd Thursday 6 pm at Station #46 unless otherwise specified.
3. **Board public and open meeting training, special services district training** – Board members will send us certifications
4. **Discuss and Vote on ordering 2 engines for future replacement** - District is still playing catch up with apparatus needs. The equipment distributors are three years out on build times for these trucks. The district is working on vehicle replacement for La Verkin and Springdale. We are replacing twenty-year-old front-line fire engines that on average have a life expectancy of approximately fifteen years. Currently we have on order six ambulances, a fire engine, a ladder, two brush trucks, and three wildland brush trucks. This will get us back to current equipment needs. To ensure lower prices the District will sign a contract locking in the current cost and will only be responsible to pay upon delivery of new apparatus'.

Motion: *Board member Scot Pectol: Motion to approve the ordering on 2 new replacement fire trucks.*

Second: *Board Member Robin Smith*

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5. Update on design of Sation 41 (Sand Hollow)

Board members presented with the newest design and a brief progress report from Chief Decker. The District is moving into engineering plans for the new station 41 administration building, located on the northern side of Sand Hollow. Our goal is to break ground by July or early August. This station design is referred to as a neighborhood design, meaning future builds will have the same basic layout without the administration area. The next upcoming stations planned for the District include 300 S Hurricane, Silver Cliffs, Virgin, and Kolob. The new stations will give the District majority coverage for our ISO ratings, which reflects our operational readiness. The thought process and idea for this building design is forward thinking and planning for future growth. Everything the District has planned for this building is much needed, with the design to last the District at least fifty years of growth. The District will likely be moving to private bonding and a thirty-year note.

6. Update on Operations

Closed Session - the Board may vote to discuss certain matters in Closed Session pursuant to the Utah Code Annotated 52-4-5.

Motion: *Board member Wayne Peterson: Motion to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation*

Second: *Board Member Paul Luwe*

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Motion: *Board member Wayne Peterson: Motion to go into public meeting*

Second: *Board Member Robin Smith*

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Motion to Adjourn: Board Member Randy Aton

Second: Board Member Robin Smith

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<i>Board Member Scot Pectol</i>	<i>AYE</i>
<i>Board Member Dave Imlay</i>	<i>AYE</i>

E. Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm

Date approved:

Minutes taken by Melinda Falaniko

LaRene L. Cox
LaRene Cox, Board Chair

Attest:

Melinda Falaniko
Melinda Falaniko, District Clerk



