

# Downieville Fire Protection District

## Regular Meeting Minutes

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Date: December 17, 2025

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Location: Community Hall, Downieville

### 1. Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. Roll was taken. Commissioners present included Frank Lang, Greg Johnson, Cherry Simi, Diane Wharff, Lynn Spaulding. Staff present included Steve Folsom, Peggy McDermott, Robert Hall, and Cory Schiemann. Stephanie Aufdermaur was absent.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Greg Johnson and seconded by Cherry Simi to approve the December 17, 2025 agenda. Motion approved.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Cherry Simi and seconded by Diane Wharff to approve the November 12, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion approved.

### 4. Public Comment

No public comments were received.

### 5. Announcements and Correspondence

No announcements or correspondence were reported.

### 6. Financial Reports

Treasurer Cherry Simi presented the Treasurer's Report, including fund balances and investment program status for the Firehouse Building Fund. Discussion included consolidating building funds into the County investment program for improved interest accrual.

Motion made by Greg Johnson and seconded by Lynn Spaulding to move \$18,000 from Firehouse Building Funds into the County investment account. Motion approved.

Bookkeeper Peggy McDermott presented cash flow, profit and loss by class, balance sheet, and audit status. Motion made by Diane Wharff and seconded by Greg Johnson to accept the financial reports. Motion approved.

### 7. Budget Report

Greg Johnson reported the budget remains on track, with primary revenue coming from the County. Bookkeeping costs have decreased, and overall fiscal management was noted to be improving.

## **8. Officer Reports**

Staff coverage for Enloe/Reach was discussed, including membership and billing considerations.

Updates were provided on rural fire and EMS response capacity, Prop 172 funding, and other potential funding sources.

Updates were also provided on the Sierra County Community Wildfire Protection Plan, Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, NFIRS/NERIS reporting system transition, pump trailer planning, and equipment needs including Stryker equipment.

Discussion was held regarding surplus equipment including three Rokons, a Rokon trailer, and a smokehouse trailer. Direction was given to proceed with surplus procedures and minimum bid advertising.

Motion made by Greg Johnson and seconded by Diane Wharff to move approve the Officer Reports.  
Motion approved.

## **9. Committee Updates**

Chair Lang provided updates on the New Firehouse project, including preliminary cost estimates, architect considerations, and upcoming coordination meetings. Structural repairs to the Foundry were also discussed.

## **10. Paramedic Report**

Paramedic Cory Schiemann reported on ambulance responses, recruitment efforts, housing challenges, and ongoing compliance matters. Updates were also provided regarding Title 3 reimbursement status.

## **11. Dispatch Supervisor Report**

Training with the Sheriff's Office dispatch continued. Discussion was held regarding transitioning the help line's emergency contact to 911. Motion made by Diane Wharff and seconded by Cherry Simi to designate 911 as the primary emergency number for all help lines. Motion approved.

## **12. Old Business**

None.

## **13. New Business**

DFFPD Policies review was discussed; no action was taken.

## **14. Next Board Meeting**

January 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.

## **15. Adjournment**

Adjourn at 1648

Motion made by Greg Johnson and seconded by Diane Wharff to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved.  
Meeting adjourned.