

CENTRAL OREGON COAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT 125 EAST ALSEA HIGHWAY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AUGUST 20, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Central Oregon Coast Fire & Rescue District Board of Directors was called to order by President MacCulloch at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2026. The meeting was not live-streamed.

2. ROLL CALL

Directors present were Greg Dunn, Jon MacCulloch, Reda Eckerman, and Rick Booth; Judy Thimakis was excused. A quorum was present.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. MacCulloch led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mrs. Eckerman, seconded by Mr. Dunn, to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 16, 2026 as presented; motion carried with Mr. Booth abstaining as he was not present at the meeting.

5. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None.

6. REPORTS

Staff. Captain Knudson was not present. **Administration.** Administrator Rush reported that the new website is up and she is still learning posting, etc. and linking documents to the site. Some can be archived and others kept active. **Volunteers.** Bingo on Friday night with a tropical theme. **Union.** No report.

7. FINANCE REPORT

Administrator Rush had printed out her notes on revenue and expenses which had occurred as this is the first report of the fiscal year. She is now tracking conflagration

correctly. She added an account "Support Services" to which the Recording Secretary was moved from "Office Supplies" and an account for tracking conflagration supplies so if it needs to be added to the budget it can be done. Moved by Mr. Booth, seconded by Mrs. Eckerman, to accept the financial report and pay the bills; motion carried.

Mr. MacCulloch read **RESOLUTION NO. 2026-04 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026.** Moved by Mrs. Eckerman, seconded by Mr. Booth, to adopt Resolution No. 2026-04 as read; motion carried. Mr. MacCulloch read **RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026.** Moved by Mrs. Eckerman, seconded by Mr. Dunn, to adopt Resolution No. 2026-05 as read; motion carried.

8. OLD BUSINESS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Mason reported there were not a lot of changes in the grants. They have been making purchases with the Warehouser Grant that was awarded for Wildland PPE and equipment. The AFG Grants are still in process. He had a phone call from OEM that they are getting closer but still not releasing the funds for the Rep. Hoyle grant. He reviewed the various Conflagration deployments and reported that all staff and vehicles are currently back in the District and ready to go out again. Reimbursement requests are ready to go. He presented an **Addendum to Employment Contract #2 Compensation for Operational Shift Coverage During Staffing Shortages.** OSFM has requested a letter that establishes compensation when the Fire Chief is required to provide operational shift coverage due to District staffing shortages that result in staffing levels falling below minimum operational requirements. This addendum provides a base. Right now he has 96 hours of overtime due to staff shortages from wildland deployments; this will be reimbursed by OSFM. Moved by Mrs. Eckerman, seconded by Mr. Dunn, to approve the addendum to the contract; motion carried.

11. GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MacCulloch gave the floor to Mr. Booth. Mr. Booth explained that due to recent changes in his life he would like to take time to do more of what he and his wife would like to do. He will remain a volunteer and would like to do the fire prevention work that Charlie was doing before he left. He read his letter of resignation as a Board member.

Mrs. Eckerman told him his service was appreciated and the way he stuck through thick or thin. Moved by Mrs. Eckerman, seconded by Mr. MacCulloch, to accept the resignation of Rick Booth as of the end of the meeting; motion carried. Mr. Booth thanked Mr. Dunn for sticking by him through the last months. In addition to the resulting vacancy on the Board Ms. Rush advised that there is a need for at least two members for Civil Service. It was moved by Mr. MacCulloch, seconded by Mr. Dunn, that Ms. Rush publish the vacancies online with a 21-day window for people to send in a letter of interest by email or regular mail; motion carried. Mr. MacCulloch expressed his appreciation to the crew for jumping in on the deployments and bringing all the apparatus back in one piece.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan K. Hansen, Recording Secretary

Approved:

Board Chair