

Los Pinos Fire Protection District Regular Board Meeting

April 14, 2025

Regular Board meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll call: Don Woodmansee, Preston Rea, Chelsea Hamilton, James Brown, Tom Arthur, Jim Owens, Josh Lorenzen, Brad Egger and Scot Davis.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for March 10, 2025, board meeting, seconded and approved.

A motion was made to pay the bills, seconded, and approved.

Public comment: None.

SUIT: Bud contacted the tribe's legal counsel regarding having a smaller meeting before meeting with all the tribal council and the tribe's legal counsel was agreeable to that.

Oxford Grange: A special meeting was scheduled for Friday, April 25th at 12:00 p.m.

Chief Egger:

Policy Update: Reviewed 600-612, most of them deal with individual training so we are combining and removing some which should be a SOP.

Maintenance: No updates.

Events: Fire drills for the tribal facilities, Career Fair April 3rd, Color Run on May 2, SU Academy water field day on May 9th, April 12 delivering Easter bunny and Arboles Easter on April 19th.

Chief Owens: **Helitack:** Spoke with the Helitack FMO and they are still interested in using St.3 for possible Helitack but this won't happen this year.

Red Willow: Was contacted last week by one of the Red Willow land agents and Red Willow is looking at putting a temporary water line around the Oxford area to county road 311 and going down county road 318. They were interested in setting up a temporary pump at St.3, but they will be looking around because it gets used to camp wildland firefighters in the summer. The timeline for this temporary water line is in the next three to four months. Once they get some definite plans for what they are going to do they will be on the agenda.

Truck Updates: The box has been removed. It is currently at Dub's. The bed is in La Jara. Purchased a 2007 International 6x6 out of Twin Falls, ID.

Chief Davis:

Development Program: We have two openings right now. We are wrapping up HazMat and moving into Fire1.

Drone: We have been using it a lot. Trying to get it up on every fire. It's been a great tool so far.

Fire Chiefs Report:

We are at 273 responses currently, just down slightly from this time last year.

I would like to commend all the shifts. We've had some challenging medical calls, and all the crews have done fantastic with handling those.

P&L: The P&L looks decent. We are still collecting some of our wildland revenue from last season through the state. So, that is still trickling in slowly. We are a little high on our treasure fees and not quite sure why, but we will keep an eye on it. Everything else looks good. We are just under 23% of total expenses. The capital is higher due to purchasing the 6x6.

Wildland: They have been hitting up some community burns when the weather conditions are right. Keeping an eye on the fire weather. Leaving it up to Captain Dosch as to when he wants to split his crew for seven-day coverage.

Fleet Maintenance: We hired Jared Hansen for our mechanic spot. He is getting adjusted and is doing great.

Grants: Thank you to Captain Fischer. We put in for the DFPC grant with the state again for some bunker gear. We were awarded just over \$18,000. We should see around \$132,000 from the state for reimbursement for grant for the ambulance. The AFG was put in last year for updating our cardiac monitors but with all the federal funding stuff we are not sure what’s going on with that. We typically don’t hear about that grant until the summer.

Dispatch: We are still shooting for the end of the month for the transition. We will have a joint release that will be in the Herald, Southern Ute Drum and our social media. We have training next week with all our crews.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55

Minutes approved by _____, President.

Preston Rea

May 12, 2025, Regular board meeting at 6:00 p.m. Station#1, 275 Browning Avenue, Ignacio, CO