

Los Pinos Fire Protection District Regular Board Meeting

April 13, 2026

Regular Board meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

A motion was made to approve the minutes for March 9, 2026, regular board meeting, seconded and approved.

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

Public comment: None.

SUIT: Bud has been conferring with the tribal attorney Brenna. The last correspondence with her was that they wanted to work toward a contribution but needed more information to run through their economic development.

Oxford Grange: Bud emailed the Board a couple of drafts to be reviewed. A special board meeting will be scheduled to go over policies and a rental agreement. Bud has not heard back from their attorney regarding the last correspondence sent. Scot has the calendar up for scheduling on our website. Brad is working on getting a programable lock.

Chief Egger:

Policy Update: Uniform & personnel appearance policy 1030 & 1031 were taken out and changed to a draft SOP 102 for the crews to review. Just the uniform allowance stayed in the employee policy.

Station maintenance: Engine Bay door was repaired.

Events: The Boys and Girls Club Annual Color Run is May 15th and the Bear Dance at the end of May. There will be a dunk tank after the Color Run if anyone wants to participate.

Chief Owens: All jurisdictions have signed off on the resiliency code.

We did a standby today for the Ben Nighthorse memorial.

Captain Mulay and Lieutenant O'Connor will be going to FDIC April 19th – 25th.

Tender 88 was on an assignment for the Sauls Creek fire.

Chief Davis: Development Team: We are three weeks into Fire 1 and Fort Lewis Mesa is joining us. We are up to 12 development team members. Received another application last week. It continues to move forward.

Drone: Has been used on two fires.

Fire Chiefs Report:

We are at 265 emergency responses currently. Last year we were at 278.

P&L: We are in the process of wrapping up the audit for the Supplemental payment. Wanted to point out that the budgeted amount for item 6180 insurance is \$180,000. We were looking at paying around \$164,000 for our current insurance. We received several quotes and we went with First Fire for \$92,000, which saves us around \$70,000. We are pleased with the policy overall and it has better cyber coverage. If we don't have any large claims, we are guaranteed that amount for three years.

We are at 20% of expenses currently.

Grants: We submitted a grant for \$20,000 with DFPC for some multi mission gear. We did not get the grant this year. They had \$550,000 available for grants with 1.8 million in funding requests. The grant with CDPHE is a 50% match for upgrading our Life Pak monitors. The review process is complete. We should probably hear in May if we are granted that award. The AFG federal grant has been shut down for a while. Once that grant opens it will be a two-to-three-week window, but we still do not have a date.

Wildland: One crew was on a severity assignment for a bit. We have a Type 3 truck up nationally.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23

Minutes approved by _____, President.

Tom Arthur