

SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 5
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2026; 6:00p.m.
District Office, 17217 W Four Mound Rd, Nine Mile Falls

Members Present: Bonita Cobb, Brian Scott, Dave Alvarado

District Secretary: Bethany McCann

Guests: Gary Pietz

Fire Chief: Scott Lynch

Time Meeting Began: 6:00 pm

Flag Salute: Led by Scott

Approve FEBRUARY 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Bonita and Seconded by Brian to approve February Minutes. It was approved unanimously.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed by the Commissioners.

There was a clarification that the propane was for St. 51. No other questions.

Expenses presented for review.

March 2026 Expenses reviewed	AP2952-2963	\$ 15,155.39
March 2026 Payroll reviewed	PR1902-1922	\$ <u>6,340.89</u>
Total March 2026 Expenses		\$ 21,496.28

Brian made a motion to accept expenses, Dave seconded and passed unanimously. Commissioners signed the Certifications for Accounts Payable and Payroll Vouchers to be submitted to the Spokane County Treasurer.

Secretary's Report:

The 2nd quarter newsletter is almost finished; Bethany will have a copy in the commissioners boxes for review and ask that they give any corrections back by Friday the 20th. The Stryker bill was sent and the contract was turned in by Anja but needs Bethany's signature on it. Bethany will reach out and get a new one signed. The Springbrook Rally was very helpful, met more fire districts that are great resources for questions and new features on Springbrook that will be useful moving forward.

Correspondence:

Inland Power is having a rate increase.

Fire Chief's Report: Chief Scott Lynch

- 1) **Volunteer Status:** None
- 2) **Station Status:** Precision doors had to come fix the South Door in St 51-They suggested to replace the rest of the doors. Bethany is going to call and get prices to do all three doors in St 51. Scott called Moran Fence and they must come out and see the property before they can give any type of quote. We are going to get quotes on ecology blocks and see if that would work better for now. The Fencing that went in at St 52 is nice and clean and looks really good.
- 3) **Truck/Equip Status:** None
- 4) **Training Status:** Search & Rescue with attack line, EVIP Classroom, Medical Training
- 5) **Other:** The Firehouse banquet is March 14th at 6PM at the Hutarians. Scott couldn't find anyone who would let us borrow a thermal camera and the type he was looking at are now out of production and the new ones are more expensive.

Committee Reports

- **Brian Scott:** Found a Snure Volunteer Pay that each commissioner received a copy.
- **Dave Alvarado:** None
- **Bonita Cobb:** two grants: one for \$20,000 for wildland supplies and one for \$4,000 for preparedness day.

OLD BUSINESS: Volunteer Pay- Brian is going to work on making a new volunteer compensation policy to better relay what the process is. Bethany will send him an copy of the current policy.

NEW BUSINESS: The County has put a new stormwater tax on the fire department properties. Bethany is going to get ahold of the county and ask questions. Brian is going to ask the attorney if this is something they can actually do.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

The next regular meeting will be April 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

With no further business a motion was made by Dave to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. It was seconded by Brian and passed unanimously.

Spokane County Fire District 5 Chairperson

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Attest: Spokane County Fire 5 District Secretary