

NORTHEAST TELLER COUNTY



FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 19, 2025

CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 17:00 hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Roll Call:

Chairman John Gomes: **Present via zoom**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Present**
Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Present**
Member at Large Matt Widtfeldt: **Present**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Present**

OTHERS PRESENT: Others present included Chief Tyler Lambert, Deputy Chief David Rial, Office Mang/ HR/ Acct Clerk Sharon Ellis (zoom), Captain Brian Stimits, Engineer Josh Summeril, firefighters Griffin Cole, Sean Klug & Margo Hill.

MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on October 29, 2025, as presented.

Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**
Member at Large Matt Widtfeldt: **Yes**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Yes**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Yes**
Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**

A motion to approve the minutes from the Special Board Meeting on October 29, 2025, as presented.

Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**
Member at Large Matt Widtfeldt: **Yes**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Yes**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Yes**
Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND BILLS:

A motion to approve the financial reports for October 31 ,2025 as presented.

Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**
Member at Large Matt Widtfeldt: **Yes**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Yes**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Yes**
Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**

PUBLIC FORUM & CORRESPONENCE: N/A

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Director Olson gave praise for all the training the department has completed this year.
- Director Gomes requested an Executive Session to discussion Chief Lamberts annual evaluation.

WOODLAND PARK PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS REPORT: N/A

EVT REPORT: N/A

CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

- Captain Stimits discussed part-time hours, call volume last month.
- Captain Stimits discussed the captains meeting this morning.
- Captain Stimits discussed Pikes Peak response area. BOD Gomes stated that he believes that we need to have an MOU with Cascade Fire Department and Green Mountain Falls regarding district boundaries.
- Captain Stimits stated he spoke with our BME rep regarding the build process of the new truck. Our rep committed to a completion date for the end of July 2026.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Deputy Chief Rial discussed community outreach groups. The department participated in the Teller County Cares Food Drive Initiative at Walmart and City Market, crews went to Merit Academy on 11/13 & 11/14 to speak to the Exploring Health Science class and the First Aid / Emergency Response class. The Teller and Park County First Responder food, coat & toy drive is scheduled for November 28th & 29th from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm at Walmart. Shop with a Hero is scheduled for December 12, 13 & 14th from 8:00 am until noon at Walmart. The Christmas Parade will be December 6th. Crews will set out burn barrels and Truck 71 will be in the parade. The NETCO Christmas party will be held on December 5th.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed training hours. Deputy Chief Rial discussed the Sleep Recovery training. Deputy Chief Rial stated that he will be conducting a Fire Instructor 1 (Instructor Methodology) class for three of our members and two Divide Fire members on November 24th & 25th. These individuals will complete their Fire Instructor 1 practical on November 26th. Deputy Chief Rial discussed completed certifications by Captain Kilik, and firefighters, Nick Lawson, Griffin Cole, and Sean Klug. The Training Cadre and Deputy Chief Rial met on November 4th to discuss the training needs for the 2026.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed October EMS training which included NETCO Medical Policy review, NETCO Medical Guidelines review, Evidence Based Guidelines and Waivered Skills review.
- Deputy Chief Rial stated he is continuing work on policies completion in Lexipol.
- Deputy Chief Rial readdressed the cardiac arrest call from last month. The patient has unofficially been released from the hospital. The responding crew will be receiving a NETCO Pheonix Award certificate and commendation bar for their service excellence.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Chief Lambert stated he was contacted from the Senator Bennett's office regarding the Congressional Direct Spending Grant the department was awarded. Chief Lambert will apply for additional grants with the Mines and DOLA next year for additional funding.
- Chief Lambert stated he received a "Thank You" from Council Woman Tracy Park from the city of Los Angeles thanking one of the crews (Captain Dungan, Firefighters Wells & Cole) for their help during the Palisades wildland fires.
- Chief Lambert discussed the purchase of the new Chief's vehicle. The cost was just over \$58,805.15 There will be an additional cost for light bar and misc. equipment for roughly \$5,100.00.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The BOD discussed the Impact Fee and the attorneys' recommendations.

A motion to instate fee structure and move forward with the Impact Fee as presented.

Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**
Member at Large Matt Widtfeldt: **Yes**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Yes**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Yes**
Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**

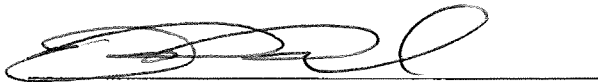
- Vice Chairman Olson requested a short recess at 6:08 pm. Meeting resumed at 6:11
- BOD discussed changes to the 2026 budget with Office Mang / HR / Acct Clerk Sharon Ellis.
- The December meeting has been rescheduled to December 12th at 15:00 pm.

PUBLIC FORUM & CORRESPONENCE: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting was adjourned @ 18:35 hrs.



Secretary of the Board

Dave Paul