

Divide Fire Protection District

Public Meeting of the Board of Directors
December 4th, 2025 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- 1) Call to Order – Roll Call
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Review and Approve Agenda
- 4) Review, Approve, and Sign Minutes of Prior Meetings
- 5) Financial & Administrative Matters
 - A) Purchase Orders
- 6) Old Business
 - A) Security Update
 - B) 2026 Budget Draft Review
- 7) Public Comment **
- 8) Adjournment

**** Public comment is limited to no more than 5 minutes per person, 20 minutes maximum. Please indicate on the sign-in sheet that you wish to comment.**



DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting

Shoemaker Fire Station, 103 Cedar Mountain Road (Mail: PO Box 941), Divide Colorado, 80814
December 4th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

1. Call to Order / Role Call

Board President Lopez called to order the special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Divide Fire Protection District (DFPD) at 6:02 p.m.

Secretary Franke called roll with the following present:

Steed Lopez – President
Robert Reynolds – Vice-President
Patricia Franke – Secretary
Peter Atwater – Treasurer
Dennis Luttrell – Director

Interim Chief Hinkle and District Administrator Diana Perkins were also present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Review & Approve Agenda - Motion by Director Luttrell to approve the agenda. Second by Director Franke. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Review, Approve, and Sign Minutes of Prior Meetings – Motion by Director Franke to approve minutes from the previous meeting. Second by Director Luttrell. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Financial & Administrative Matters

A. Financials / Purchase Orders

PO 1205-1 COProEFP – 2 full sets of extrication equipment - Nte \$110,000

These would replace the TNT set, new sets would go to E22 & R22, the older Genesis set would go to E24. Moving this purchase up to 2025.

Motion by Director Luttrell to approve. Second by Director Reynolds. The motion passed unanimously. See note below after public comment.

PO 1205-2 – Paratech – airbags \$25,000

Motion by Director Luttrell to approve. Second by Director Reynolds. The motion passed unanimously. Moving this purchase up to 2025.

PO 1205-3 – Total Property Maintenance – replace two sets entrance doors – Nte \$8000 Like for like, commercial doors. Main entrance plus training room entrance double doors.

Motion by Director Atwater to approve. Second by Director Luttrell. The motion passed unanimously.

PO 1205-04 – Sunny Communications – 15 radios, accessories, programming \$30,104 Can't get parts for old radios, many not working. Quote was initially \$25,104, increased to budget for programming.

Motion by Director Atwater to approve. Second by Director Reynolds. The motion passed unanimously.

PO 1205-05 – Digicom – 10 replacement batteries - \$1119.00

Motion by Director Luttrell to approve. Second by Director Reynolds. The motion passed unanimously.

PO 1205-06 – Rathburn Welding – mounting hitches on E22 - \$802.25

Motion by Director Luttrell to approve. Second by Director Franke. The motion passed unanimously.

PO 1205-07 – Harbor Freight – winch - \$1110

Director Franke questioned why upfitting requests for E22 vs E21, which is currently first out, but not equipped with this equipment. Chief Hinkle indicated improper function of E21, specifically a transmission not working properly.

Director Franke requested follow up on warranty status of E21 transmission.

Motion by Director Luttrell to approve. Second by Director Reynolds. The motion passed unanimously.

PO 1205-08 - Repurpose R21 to Chief Vehicle – Nte \$21000 – new toppers, wrap, light package.

Intention to use current C20 as pool car. Director Lopez expressed reservation about using R21 as a commuter vehicle since Chief was driving to and from the Springs. Director Atwater expressed a desire to wait until we have a permanent Chief, since the previous Chief vehicle was purchased in haste and is now no longer satisfactory. Motion by Director Franke to hold on the upfitting/repurpose of this vehicle, adding this topic to the 5-year plan and waiting until a permanent chief comes on. Second by Director Atwater. Motion passed 4 to 1 with Director Luttrell opposed. (See additional motion regarding this PO under Public Comment)

6. Old Business

A. Security Update – Director Reynolds reported the two locks installed and working at Station 1, however Station 2 does not have either wifi or cell service. This topic will need to be given further consideration.

B. 2026 Budget Draft Review

The draft budget was presented with changes discussed in a previous session as well as updated numbers based on quotes and renewals received. Draft budget presented with changes discussed in previous session.

Discussion by board related to personnel pay rates and staffing level request. Chief Hinkle presented operational data and staffing plan. Chief's plan requests an increase in firefighters to 3 full time and 6

part time staff in addition to a full time Chief. Current budgeted levels are 2 full time and 4 part time staff plus the full time Chief. Data presented include increase in call volume year over year showing approximate 10% increase from 2024 to 2025. Average responders per call of approximately 3, regardless of day or staffing. The proposed coverage is also intended to lower single responder call responses. This includes a FT staff member every day during day shift, with 2 FT responders every day M-F, a FT person Sun-Thurs, and Wed-Sat and the paid captain M-F.

Chief also presented some highlights from a district operational feedback survey, which indicated limited response capability for many volunteer responders during daytime hours. He suggested providing call credit for 4-hour call shifts at the station or 6-hour call shifts from residence to provide volunteers opportunity to make required call volumes. Director Franke raised questions about the need and sustainability of 3rd FT staff member. She asked if call shift coverage could be evaluated as a possible alternative to fill the gap, and if other areas have been explored to utilize volunteers prior to authorizing the additional FT staff. Director Lopez and Atwater also expressed sustainability concerns. The board discussed without resolution and agreed to revisit the subject in the coming meeting

7. Public Comment

Carl Anderson – taxpayer - Submitted attached letter. Concerned with decrease of reserves and increased spending in a short time.

Mike Babiarz – volunteer member – Babiarz expressed concern over the acceptance of the purchase order for 2 sets of extrication gear. Although one set is older both sets are still functional and not an immediate concern. The district has identified several potential upcoming vehicle repairs needed, and Babiarz expressed that it is a disservice to the district to spend over \$100,000 on the extrication gear when the vehicle repairs have not been addressed or planned for. He observed that amount alone could have paid the down payment on a new chassis.

Allison Mosser – taxpayer – Mosser expressed concern over the Capital Reserve being used as a slush fund because it was so open ended. She commented that the previous Chief was unable to get PT volunteer staffing and that didn't seem to be addressed. She questioned the sustainability of the staffing plan and observed that benefits and staff positions are hard to take away once they have been given, so sustainability should be determined first.

Tom O'Connor – volunteer member – O'Conner expressed concern about recent and proposed spending when there are existing serious vehicle concerns. He also feels the staffing plan is too much and not sustainable. He was asked by Director Atwater does he think the district can't afford the staffing, and he answered that we can afford it but it is taking away from other priorities such as needed vehicle repairs/replacement.

After public comment, Director Franke made a motion to revisit PO 1205-01 for extrication gear and reconsider as a purchase of a single set of extrication tools instead of two sets, expressing concerns regarding priorities on basis of discussions related to fleet condition. The motion did not obtain a second before a request was made for a motion to adjourn by Director Lopez. The motion was not discussed and died.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Director Atwater to adjourn the meeting. Second by Director Reynolds. The motion passed 4 to 1, Franke opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m. The next regular meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 9th, 2025, at 6 p.m.

APPROVAL

We attest that the foregoing minutes, which have been approved by the affirmative majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Divide Fire Protection District, are a true and accurate record of the meeting held on the date stated above.

 President

Name and Title

1 / 13 / 26

Date

 Secretary

Name and Title

01 / 13 / 2026

Date



DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814
(719) 687-8773

DFPD Sales Tax Exemption # 98-136947-0000

Purchase Order #2025-1205-1

To: *Copno EFP*

Requested by: *Chief Hinkle*
Account:

FROM: Divide Fire Protection District
(719) 687-8773

Please accept this order for the following items per Quote 21-07-276

<u>Item# / Description</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Price Each</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
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TOTAL \$ *110,000^{or} max*

Bill to:

Divide Fire Protection District
P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814

Ship to:

Divide Fire Protection District
103 Cedar Mountain Road
Divide, CO 80814



Copro EFP
 P.O. Box 1444
 Eastlake, CO 80614
 Office - 303-219-6013
 www.coprofire.com

Estimate

Date	Estimate #
12/4/2025	10177

Name / Address
Divide Fire Chris Hinkle 103 County Rd 51 Divide, CO 80814

Estimate does not include shipping unless noted
 Estimate good for 7 days from above date

Cust.P.O. No.

Terms

Net 20

Manufa...	Item Number	Description	Qty	Cost	Total
AMKUS	Extended Reach Tips/KS0029-KIT	Accessories 2 - TIPS EXTENDED REACH - SPREADER	2	1,095.50	2,191.00
AMKUS	Extended Reach Tips-C/KN0194-KI	Extended Reach Tips for Combi	2	1,369.50	2,739.00
AMKUS	Chain PKG/K-CHAIN24-30	CHAIN PKG QUICK ADJUST AMK-24/30CRT, ION SPREADERS	2	1,079.125	2,158.25
ESI	Chain/JYD-20031	18' x 3/8" Grade 100 w/ Slip & Grab Hook		473.35	473.35
ESI	Chain/JYD-20040	28ft x 3/8" Grade 100 w/ Grab Hook		513.12	513.12
Plastix Plus	LRS/PP-AMK-LRS-SPR	Mounting Horizontal bracket for AMKUS Lightweight Rescue Series Spreader	2	230.005	460.01
Plastix Plus	LRC/PP-AMK-LRS-CUT	Horizontal bracket for AMKUS Lightweight Rescue Series Cutter	1	230.00	230.00
Plastix Plus	LRCT/PP-AMK-LRS-COM	Horizontal bracket for AMKUS Lightweight Rescue Series Combi	2	230.00	460.00
Plastix Plus	HRTR/PP-AMK-HRTR-S	Flat bracket for AMKUS HRTR ram	2	230.00	460.00
Plastix Plus	HRC/PP-AMK-HR-CUT	Horizontal bracket for AMKUS Heavy Rescue Cutter (Fits both HRCL & HRCS)	1	230.00	230.00

Acceptance Signature _____

Total	\$9,914.73
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Daren Greening
 Direct: 303-888-8706 e-mail: daren@coprofire.com



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 Eastlake, CO 80614
 Office - 303-219-6013
 www.coprofire.com

Estimate

Date	Estimate #
12/3/2025	10175

Name / Address
Divide Fire Chris Hinkle 103 County Rd 51 Divide, CO 80814

Estimate does not include shipping unless noted
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Cust.P.O. No.

Terms

Net 20

Manufa...	Item Number	Description	Qty	Cost	Total
AMKUS	FLEXVOLT Cutter/HRCL	AMKUS:FLEXVOLT Cutter/HRCL Long Blade	1	11,915.61	11,915.61
AMKUS	FLEXVOLT Ram/HRTR	HRTR Telescoping 50" Ram (Tool Only)	2	10,454.535	20,909.07
AMKUS	FLEXVOLT Spreader/LRS	LIGHT RESCUE SPREADER	2	11,714.805	23,429.61
AMKUS	FLEXVOLT Cutter/LRC	LIGHT RESCUE CUTTER	1	11,267.10	11,267.10
AMKUS	FLEXVOLT Combi/LRCT	Light Weight Combi Tool	2	11,192.19	22,384.38
DeWalt	9 Amp Battery/DEWDCB609-1	Single Pack 9Amp/Hr. DeWalt FlexVolt Battery	16	172.50	2,760.00
DeWalt	Charger 4 Bank/DCB104	4 bank Fast Charger	2	290.95	581.90

Acceptance Signature _____

Total	\$93,247.67
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Daren Greening
 Direct: 303-888-8706 e-mail: daren@coprofire.com



DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814
(719) 687-8773

DFPD Sales Tax Exemption # 98-136947-0000

Purchase Order #2025-1205-2

To: *Paratech
Airbags*

Requested by: *Chief Hinkle*
Account:

FROM: Divide Fire Protection District
(719) 687-8773

Please accept this order for the following items per Quote 21-07-276

<u>Item# / Description</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Price Each</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
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TOTAL \$ *25,000⁰⁰*

Bill to:

Divide Fire Protection District
P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814

Ship to:

Divide Fire Protection District
103 Cedar Mountain Road
Divide, CO 80814



DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814
(719) 687-8773

DFPD Sales Tax Exemption # 98-136947-0000

Purchase Order #2025-1205-3

To: *Total Property
Maintenance*

Requested by: *Chief Hinkle*
Account:

FROM: Divide Fire Protection District
(719) 687-8773

Please accept this order for the following items per Quote 21-07-276

<u>Item# / Description</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Price Each</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
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TOTAL

\$

8,000⁰⁰

NTE

Bill to:

Divide Fire Protection District
P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814

Ship to:

Divide Fire Protection District
103 Cedar Mountain Road
Divide, CO 80814

ESTIMATE

Grand Total (USD)
\$3,500.00

BILL TO
Divide Fire
dividefire@dividefire.com

Estimate Number: 89
Estimate Date: September 17, 2025
Valid Until: October 17, 2025
Grand Total (USD): \$3,500.00

Items	Quantity	Price	Amount
Divide Firehouse Doors Divide firehouse double doors Demo existing front double doors into firehouse Install new double doors, out swing, with right door operable Replace trim on the inside	1	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00

Metal Door, use existing hardware (locking door handle and return arm etc.)

Door has an estimated 2-week order turnaround time after ordering

(\$1750.00) deposit due upon signing of contract

If everything looks good, please text/call 719-922-6713 (Stephanie) so I can get a contract sent over. Thank you!

Grand Total (USD): **\$3,500.00**

Total Property Maintenance LLC
503 Dani Place
Divide, Colorado 80814
United States

Contact Information
7199226714



DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814
(719) 687-8773

DFPD Sales Tax Exemption # 98-136947-0000

Purchase Order #2025-1205-4

To: *Sunny Communications LLC* Requested by: *Chief Hinkle*
Account:

*12980 W. Cedar Drive
Lakewood CO 80228*

*Radios +
programming*

FROM: Divide Fire Protection District
(719) 687-8773

Please accept this order for the following items per Quote 21-07-276

<u>Item# / Description</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Price Each</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
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See attached

TOTAL

~~\$ 25,162.73~~
~~25,104.00~~
30,104

Bill to:

Divide Fire Protection District
P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814

Ship to:

Divide Fire Protection District
103 Cedar Mountain Road
Divide, CO 80814

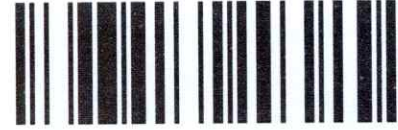
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Sunny Communications LLC



Sunny Communications LLC
 12980 W Cedar Drive
 Lakewood, CO 80228
 Phone: 720-459-7557
 Fax: 720-336-7557
 Email: info@sunnycommunications.com

Order #	Date
156812	11/13/2025



Bill To:
Divide Fire Protection District 103 COUNTY ROAD 51 DIVIDE, CO 80814-9143 Phone: 719-220-0719 Email: BrandonOwings@dividefire.com
Customer: Divide Fire Protection District

Ship To:
Divide Fire Protection District 103 COUNTY ROAD 51 DIVIDE, CO 80814-9143
Contact: Brandon Owings

Sales Rep	Payment Terms	FOB Point	Carrier	Ship Service	Date Scheduled
Esteban	NET 30	Origin	UPS	Ground	11/13/2025

Item #	Type	Number	Description	Unit Price	Qty Ordered	Total Price
1	Sale	H98UCF9PW6AN	Motorola Portable APX6000 700/800 763-870 Mhz 1000ch 3W M2.5 Complete Kit - GREEN HOUSINGS - Comes w/ battery, antenna, holster, and charger. 90 Day Warranty NO PROGRAMMING FLASHCODE: 9Q106A-211490-9	\$1,375.00	10 ea	\$ 13,750.00
2	Sale	H97TGD9PW1AN VHF 7/8 M3.5	Motorola Portable APX7000 VHF 700/800 3000ch 5W M3.5 Complete Kit - GREEN HOUSINGS - Comes w/ battery, antenna, holster, and charger. 90 Day Warranty NO PROGRAMMING FLASHCODE: 9Q127A-211492-3	\$2,075.00	5 ea	\$ 10,375.00
3	Sale	NNTN8128	Motorola Battery NNTN8128 IMPRES APX 90 Day Warranty	\$59.00	5 ea	\$ 295.00
4	Sale	PMMN4083A	Motorola Speaker Mic PMMN4083A APX 90 Day Warranty	\$45.00	3 ea	\$ 135.00
5	Sale	NNTN7072	Motorola Gang Charger NNTN7072 APX With Display APX6000/7000 6 Bank Gang Charger 90 Day Warranty	\$549.00	1 ea	\$ 549.00
6	Sale	Shipping & Handling.	Shipping & Handling.	\$58.72	1 ea	\$ 58.72

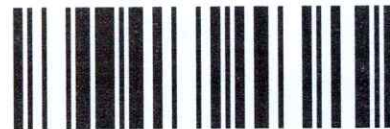
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12980 W Cedar Drive
Lakewood, CO 80228
Phone: 720-459-7557
Fax: 720-336-7557
Email: info@sunnycommunications.com

Order #	Date
156812	11/13/2025



Subtotal:	\$25,162.72
Sales Tax:	\$1,358.82
Total:	\$26,521.54

Approval: _____ Date: _____

Invoice

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12980 W Cedar Drive

Lakewood, CO 80228

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Contact: Brandon Owings

Customer: Divide Fire Protection District

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 Lakewood, CO 80228
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 Fax: 720-336-7557
 Email: info@sunnycommunications.com

Order #	Date
156812	12/02/2025



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Divide Fire Protection District 103 COUNTY ROAD 51 DIVIDE, CO 80814-9143

Contact: Brandon Owings

Customer: Divide Fire Protection District CO

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Invoice

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12980 W Cedar Drive
Lakewood, CO 80228
Phone: 720-459-7557
Fax: 720-336-7557
Email: info@sunnycommunications.com

Order #	Date
156812	12/02/2025



Subtotal:	\$25,104.00
Sales Tax:	\$0.00
Total:	\$25,104.00

Approval: _____ Date: _____



DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814
(719) 687-8773

DFPD Sales Tax Exemption # 98-136947-0000

Purchase Order #2025-1205-85

To: *DigiCom Electronics*

Requested by: *Chief Hinkle*
Account:

FROM: Divide Fire Protection District
(719) 687-8773

Please accept this order for the following items per Quote 21-07-276

<u>Item# / Description</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Price Each</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
<i>10 Replacement Batteries</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>111.90</i>	

TOTAL \$ *1,119.00*

Bill to:

Divide Fire Protection District
P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814

Ship to:

Divide Fire Protection District
103 Cedar Mountain Road
Divide, CO 80814



P.O.Box 1129
 La Junta, CO 81050
 Phone: (719) 384-8553
 Fax: (719) 384-7583

QUOTATION
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Bill To:
 DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
 PO BOX 941
 DIVIDE, CO 80814

Ship To:
 DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
 103 CEDAR MOUNTAIN RD
 DIVIDE, CO 80814

Date: 11/13/2025		Customer Rep: WALT GARBO		Terms: NET 30 DAYS	
Qty	Item	Description	Unit Price	Extended	

10	BP4493LIIC	BATTERY, 7.2V/ 3500 mAh/ Li-ION/ CLIP/ SMART/ IP67	111.90	1,119.00	
1	FREIGHT-EST	APX900 1000 2000 3000 4000 XPR SERIES SHIPPING AND/OR FREIGHT CHARGES WILL BE ADDED AT TIME OF INVOICE	0.00	0.00	

Please Note: Information in this document is proprietary and for your internal use only.

*Plus applicable Taxes, TARIFF FEES & Shipping. Any work performed in addition to Scope of Work Quoted will be Billed in Addition at Time & Materials.

Vehicle specific, manufacturer frequency tuned, or any other custom made parts are non-cancellable and non-returnable. All other special order items returned are subject to a 30% restocking fee, and subject to the manufacturer return terms.

This Quote is valid for 30 Days. Please Call for an update.

Subtotal : \$1,119.00
 Tax : \$0.00
 Total Quote : \$1,119.00



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DFPD Sales Tax Exemption # 98-136947-0000

Purchase Order #2025-1205-6

To: *Rathburn Welding* Requested by: *Chief Hinkle*
Account:

FROM: Divide Fire Protection District
(719) 687-8773

Please accept this order for the following items per Quote 21-07-276

<u>Item# / Description</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Price Each</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
<i>Mount Hitches on E22</i>			

TOTAL \$ *802.25*

Bill to:

Divide Fire Protection District
P.O. Box 941
Divide, CO 80814

Ship to:

Divide Fire Protection District
103 Cedar Mountain Road
Divide, CO 80814

QUOTE

Rathburn Welding

16355 Remuda Rd, Monument, CO 80132
Phone 719-433-8581
b-fab@rathburnwelding.com

INVOICE # 0165
DATE: 11/18/2025

EXPIRATION DATE 11/24/2025

TO Divide Fire Protection District
103 CR-51
Divide, CO 80814
United States

JOB
Engine 22 Winch Receivers

QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	LINE TOTAL
6 Hr	LABOR	\$100/Hr	\$ 600.00
	MATERIAL		\$ 103.75
	ADMINISTRATIVE		\$ 98.50

TOTAL \$ 802.25

Quotation prepared by: Bailey Rathburn _____

This is a quotation on the goods named, subject to the conditions noted below: Hours & materials used are subject to change, final cost will be invoiced after job completion.

To accept this quotation, sign here and return: _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!



DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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DFPD Sales Tax Exemption # 98-136947-0000

Purchase Order #2025-1205-7

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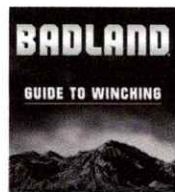
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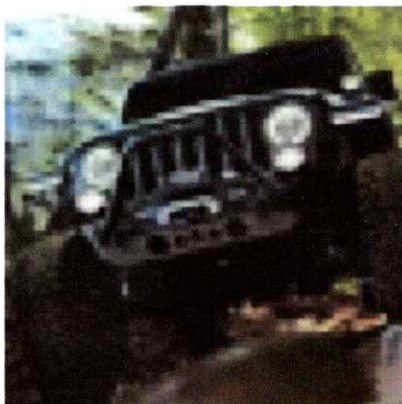
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From: Carl Andersen <carl@andersenent.net>

Sent: Thursday, December 4, 2025 4:09 PM

To: DFPD Secretary <DFPDSecretary@dividfire.com>

Subject: Statement from Carl Andersen to be read at the Divide Meeting on Thursday Dec 4th.

Patty/Divide Fire District Board

Due to a prior commitment, I am unable to attend the meeting tonight, Thursday December 4, 2025 I would ask that you please read these comments tonight as part of public comment and read them into record.

My name is Carl Andersen. I am a resident of the Divide Fire district, local business owner of 20+ years, and prior volunteer Firefighter. I have some concerns about the proposed budget.

In the Draft Budget, Page 1, Beginning Fund Balances, for the 2026 Draft there is \$644,000 listed for unreserved general funds and \$23,800.00 listed for labor reserve. Those two add up to \$667,800.00. However, your total listed is \$794,630.00. That is a discrepancy of \$126,830.00. This discrepancy could have a continued impact on your data, if that number is programmed to move forward to other areas.

I understand the need for competitive salaries and adequate firefighters; I believe more comparison needs to be done and analyzation of the need for more paid fire fighters vs our volunteer staff.

I understand planning ahead and budgeting for increased costs in these uncertain times. One of my primary concerns with your budgeting plan is the moving of over \$600,000 out of reserves into building and maintenance in one shot.

I know you have done a valuation of equipment, but I do believe this seems to be a drastic spending spree in a very short period.

I believe given the current state of the Colorado budget being +or - \$1B deficit, it is hard to predict what future revenue streams will be available for 2026 and beyond.

I am also concerned with going from a 2025 ending fund balance of \$918,980.77 to an ending fund balance of less than \$25,000 is a potential hazard for future firefighter services.

I believe in having a strong reserve balance going into uncertain times is adequately important to consider these concerns of mine and other residents of Divide.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

If the board would like to discuss these issues in further detail before adopting the budget I would welcome that opportunity.

Sincerely

Carl Andersen

DIVIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
2026 Budget Draft

Budget Year	2024 Actual	2025 thru 11/4/25	2025 Budget	2026 Draft	
Beginning Fund Balances					
Unreserved General Funds	329,000.00	644,000.00	644,000.00	644,000.00	
Unreserved Volunteer Funds	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Petty Cash Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Tabor Reserve	16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00	23,800.00	From last audit
Total Beginning Fund Balances	370,000.00	660,000.00	660,000.00	794,630.00	
Revenues					
4310 · Net General Property Tax	905,008.38	897,678.56	911,312.00	971,000.00	From preliminary valuation
4311 · Legislative Backfill	62,791.00				
4312 · Interest County Treasurer	1,970.76	1,132.62	350.00	350.00	
4315 · Specific Ownership Tax	81,815.01	70,862.70	55,000.00	55,000.00	
4325 · Teller County EMS/VFA Grants	500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
4330 · State Gaming and DOLA Grants	15,872.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	Approved for \$18849 gaming grant payable in 2025
4331 - EMTS Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00		
4340 - Special Incident Revenue					
4341 - DFPD Vehicles	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
4342 - Personnel and Travel	0.00	13,177.99	30,000.00	30,000.00	Equal to 5407
4344 - Cost Recovery	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	
4345 · Interest Income	32,466.26	31,889.37	20,000.00	22,000.00	
4360 · Donations	21,766.37	27,352.79	20,000.00	20,000.00	
4365 - Sales of Assets	5,000.00	0.00	0.00		
4370 · Plan Review Revenue	0.00	0.00	100.00		
4397 - Other Grant Income	889.67	0.00	0.00		
4399 · Miscellaneous Revenue	2,077.10	4,036.05	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Total Revenues	1,130,156.55	1,046,130.08	1,068,762.00	1,130,350.00	
Total Funds & Revenues	1,500,156.55	1,706,130.08	1,728,762.00	1,924,980.00	
Expenditures					
Administrative Expenses					red numbers = linked to worksheet
5401 · Payroll Tax Expenses	8,121.28	8,143.40	15,002.42	19,014.34	
5402 - Payroll Expense	0.00	457.00	0.00	500.00	
5405 · Payroll - District Employees	253,948.20	249,239.32	319,190.00	409,310.00	Assumes FT Chief starting in July, 1 FT Captain, 2 FT Firefighters, 5 PT Firefighters at 10 hours/week
5407 · Payroll - Incident Response	9,592.43	1,057.54	30,000.00	30,000.00	
5408 - Payroll - Volunteer Stipends	6,925.00	4,750.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
5409 - Employee Benefits	85,358.85	83,544.24	106,974.00	134,284.00	
5415 · County Treasurer Fee	27,617.05	26,063.45	27,500.00	27,500.00	
5420 · Director's Fees	6,300.00	7,700.00	12,000.00	8,000.00	<2 meetings/month
5427 - Volunteer Recruitment Retention	0.00	2,958.62	4,000.00	4,000.00	
5430 - Employee & Volunteer Screening	422.49	881.20	1,000.00	1,000.00	
5435 · Employee Recruitment Retention	10,282.38	2,499.46	6,700.00	12,000.00	
5440 · Subscriptions & Data	15,999.52	21,195.69	28,132.00	27,130.00	
5445 · Office Supplies/Expenses	3,435.12	3,567.82	5,000.00	5,000.00	
5450 · Annual Audit	9,115.00	9,500.00	12,000.00	10,000.00	Cost comparable to 2025
5460 · Legal Fees	1,810.50	4,351.50	7,000.00	7,000.00	Cost comparable to 2025
5462 - Election Costs	0.00	4,549.44	5,000.00	0.00	
5465 · Public Relations	4,306.93	2,524.28	10,000.00	8,500.00	
5475 · Notice Publication , etc.	30.01	31.12	400.00	400.00	
5480 · Insurance	42,289.00	41,696.00	44,097.25	49,257.45	
5490 · Pension Plan	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	corrected
5495 · Volunteer Expenses	28,996.15	11,407.39	20,000.00	20,000.00	Updated 11/4
5499 · Administrative Contingency	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	10,000.00	
Total Administrative Expenses	526,549.91	486,117.47	695,995.67	804,695.79	
Operating Expenses					
5505 · Training	27,708.58	14,318.77	35,000.00	35,000.00	
5510 · Building/Ground Supplies	16,953.42	17,632.89	14,100.00	20,000.00	
5520 · Propane-Natural Gas	3,363.12	3,523.97	5,000.00	5,000.00	
5525 · Electric	3,623.26	3,136.45	3,600.00	4,300.00	
5535 · Medical Supplies & Fees	8,564.10	7,389.35	9,000.00	12,000.00	
5540 · Fire Fighting Supplies	8,046.96	9,876.38	22,330.00	20,000.00	
5541 · Fire Fighting R/M	6,973.22	2,754.48	9,100.00	8,000.00	
5543 · Rescue Supplies & Expense	718.75	849.57	2,000.00	3,000.00	
5545 · Vehicle Supplies & Fuel	10,380.26	8,472.83	16,500.00	16,000.00	
5546 · Vehicle R/M	25,002.17	42,163.04	25,500.00	50,000.00	
5560 · Comm. Supplies & Repairs	11,181.28	1,017.50	13,000.00	23,000.00	

	2025	NOTES	AMOUNTS	
		RED = UPDATED/CHANGED		
5427 - Volunteer Recruitment R	\$4,000.00	Banquet	\$4,000.00	
5430 - Volunteer & Employee S	\$1,000.00			
5435 - Employee Recruitment R	\$12,000.00			
		Chief Search	\$5,000.00	
		Station & Incident Food	\$3,000.00	
		Employee Health Screens (5-6)	\$4,000.00	
				\$ 12,000.00
5440 - Subscriptions and Data	\$27,130.00	Paychex	\$1,500.00	
		Quickbooks Desktop	\$2,000.00	
		TCFCA Dues	\$250.00	
		Fire Training Officers Assoc	\$450.00	
		CO State Chiefs Dues	\$410.00	
		KNOX Connect Subscription	\$2,000.00	
		AT&T Monthly	\$2,000.00	
		CO Fire Marshal Assoc	\$50.00	
		Carbonite	\$185.00	
		First Due	\$5,550.00	Per 11/4 mtg
		EMSAC	\$285.00	
		Streamline & PDF Converter	\$3,300.00	
		SDA	\$1,000.00	
		Email Services	\$1,500.00	
		Upworx licenses/services	\$6,150.00	Per 11/4 mtg
		Misc	\$500.00	\$27,130.00
5445 - Office Supplies/Expense	\$5,000.00			
5450 - Annual Audit	\$12,000.00			
5455 - Telephone & Internet	\$0.00			
5460 - Legal Fees	\$7,000.00			
5462 - Election Costs				
5465 - Public Relations	\$8,500.00			
		Newsletter	\$1,500.00	
		Pancake Breakfast	\$6,000.00	
		Community Ed/Kids	\$1,000.00	\$8,500.00
5475 - Notice Publication , etc.	\$400.00	budget and other notices		
5480 - Insurance	\$49,257.45			
		Works Comp Insurance	\$17,430.45	
		Accident and Sickness	\$2,000.00	

		Commercial/Auto/Umbrella	\$29,827.00	
				\$49,257.45
5490 · Pension Plan	\$12,000.00			
5495 · Volunteer Expenses	\$20,000.00			
		Hats/T-Shirts	\$3,500.00	
		Jackets	\$2,000.00	
		Pancake T Shirts	\$1,000.00	
		Banquet Awards	\$2,000.00	
		Training Food	\$2,900.00	
		Volunteer Health Screening (8)	\$5,600.00	
		Misc	\$3,000.00	\$20,000.00
5499 · Administrative Contingen	\$20,000.00			
5505 · Training	\$35,000.00			
		Wildand Academy (4)	\$3,000.00	
		Firefighter Certification/Recert (3)	\$1,500.00	
		SDA Workshop	\$500.00	
		EMT Training	\$4,000.00	
		EMS Conference 2 paid, 4 vol	\$9,000.00	
		Fire Conferences	\$6,000.00	
		Fire Officer Workshops	\$3,000.00	
		Fire Rescue 1	\$5,000.00	
		Training books (all)	\$1,500.00	
		Misc	\$1,500.00	\$35,000.00
5510 · Building/Ground Supplies	\$20,000.00			
		Pest Control	\$1,400.00	
		Extingusher service	\$1,400.00	
		Sign Replacement	\$5,000.00	
		Carpet Cleaning	\$500.00	
		Bay Door Maintenance/Parts	\$3,000.00	
		Mat Cleaning	\$1,100.00	
		General Supplies/Cleaning	\$7,600.00	
				\$20,000.00
5520 · Propane-Natural Gas	\$5,000.00			
		Station 1	\$3,500.00	
		Station 2	\$1,500.00	\$5,000.00
5525 · Electric	\$4,300.00			
		Station 1	\$3,800.00	
		Station 2	\$500.00	\$ 4,300.00

5535 · Medical Supplies & Fees	\$12,000.00	consumables	\$5,000.00	
		monitor cables	\$1,500.00	
		HazWaste Disposal	\$600.00	
		AED Maintenance	\$300.00	
		Misc	\$4,600.00	\$12,000.00
5540 · Fire Fighting Supplies	\$20,000.00			
		Hose (8-50 foot lengths)	\$3,500.00	
		T-25 intake valve	\$3,000.00	
		Leather fronts for helmets (10)	\$1,000.00	
		KNOX Box	\$3,500.00	
		Fittings/Adaptors/Nozzles	\$2,500.00	
		PPE	\$5,000.00	
		Misc	\$1,500.00	
				\$20,000.00
5541 · Fire Fighting R/M	\$8,000.00			
		SCBA Testing	\$2,000.00	
		Ladder test /odd years 2023	\$0.00	
		Hydrostatic Testing / 5 yrs 2026	\$2,000.00	
		Pump Testing	\$2,000.00	
		Cascade System Testing	\$1,200.00	
		Misc	\$800.00	\$8,000.00
5543 · Rescue Supplies & Expe	\$3,000.00	Misc Supplies	\$1,500.00	
		hardware	\$500.00	
		540 and prusik	\$500.00	
		helmets/lights	\$500.00	
				\$3,000.00
5545 · Vehicle Supplies & Fuel	\$16,000.00			
		Fuel	\$14,500.00	
		Misc	\$1,500.00	
				\$16,000.00
5546 · Vehicle R/M	\$50,000.00	Upgrade E21 Lights	\$1,500.00	
		Tires	\$10,500.00	
		Misc Repairs	\$38,000.00	\$50,000.00
5560 · Comm. Supplies & Repa	\$23,000.00			
		Batteries and repairs	\$2,000.00	

		Active911 subscriptions	\$1,000.00	
		Handhelds (10)	\$20,000.00	
				\$23,000.00
5581 - Incident Expenses - Non-	\$4,000.00	Repair costs	\$4,000.00	
5582 - Incident Expenses - Rein	\$3,000.00	Hotel, Meals	\$3,000.00	
5610 - Building & Grounds	\$35,000.00			
			\$35,000.00	
				\$35,000.00
5620 - Incident Vehicle Reserve	\$0.00			
	\$150,000.00			
		Extrication Equipment possibly 2025	\$150,000.00	
				\$150,000.00
5657 - Vehicle/Apparatus Purch	\$0.00			
5655 - Vehicle Lease Payments	\$ 55,535.65			
		E24 Lease	\$55,535.65	