

EAST FORK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

1694 County Road
Minden, Nevada 89423

Meeting Agenda

John Bellona, President, District 1
Barbara Griffin, Director, District 2
Bernard Curtis, Director, District 3
Nate Leising, Director, District 4
Mike Sommers, Secretary, District 5

Alan Ernst, District Fire Chief

Erica Amatore, Board Clerk

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

12:00 PM Closed Session

To attend virtually-Contact Erica Amatore

1:00 PM Board Meeting

In person-1694 County Road, Minden

MISSION STATEMENT

“Serving the Fire and Life Safety Needs of Our Community”

East Fork Fire Protection District will be conducting its meeting in person and electronically. The public is welcome to attend the meeting virtually or in person at the East Fork Fire Protection District Office located at 1694 County Road, Minden, NV. If you would like to view the East Fork Fire Protection District Board meeting, please contact Erica Amatore prior to the day of the meeting at 775-782-9040 or eamatore@eastforkfire.org for details on how to log into the meeting.

Public comment will be accepted prior to the East Fork Fire Protection District Board meeting through either the email address provided below or by setting up a phone appointment with the East Fork Fire Protection District Office up until the day before the East Fork Fire Protection District Board meeting.

- Blank public comment forms will be available at the East Fork Fire Protection District Office (1694 County Road, Minden, Nevada) and completed forms may also be left at the same location.
- Written public comments may also be emailed to eamatore@eastforkfire.org All public comments must be received prior to the date of the meeting if the comments are to be included in the supplemental materials.
- All written public comments received prior to 4:00 PM the day before the Board meeting will be compiled and will be added as supplemental material for the East Fork Fire Protection District Board and the public to review prior to the meeting.
- Any written public comment received on the day of the East Fork Fire Protection District Board meeting will be compiled and added as supplemental materials to the East Fork Fire District’s website and distributed to the East Fork Fire Protection District Board within 24 hours after the meeting.

Members of the public may call Erica Amatore at 775-782-9040 to obtain help making public comments using the public comment methods.

Copies of the finalized agenda are posted at the following location prior to meeting day: East Fork Protection District Administrative Office. An electronic copy of the agenda and supporting materials are available on the following websites:

- East Fork Fire website: <https://eastforkfire.org/>
- Nevada Public notice: <https://notice.nv.gov>

Members of the public may request an electronic copy of the agenda or supporting materials by contacting Erica Amatore at eamatore@eastforkfire.org.

Agenda items may be taken out of order, may be combined for consideration, or may be removed from the agenda at any time. All items designated “for possible action” shall include discussion and possible action to approve, modify, deny, take “no action,” or continue the item.

It is the intent of the East Fork Fire Protection District Board to protect the dignity of citizens who wish to comment before the Board. It is also the desire of the East Fork Fire Protection District Board to provide the citizens with an environment that upholds the highest professional standards. Citizens should have the ability to freely comment on items and/or projects that are brought before the East Fork Fire Protection District Board for action without interference.

Notice to Persons with Disabilities: Members of the public who are disabled and require special assistance or accommodations are requested to notify Erica Amatore in writing at 1694 County Road, Minden, Nevada 89423 or by calling 775-782-9040 at least 20 hours in advance.

EAST FORK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
1694 COUNTY ROAD
MINDEN, NEVADA
FINAL AGENDA
April 15, 2025

CLOSED SESSION

12:00 PM

Closed Session. Closed Session to meet with management representatives pursuant to NRS 288.220. 30 minutes.

Note: The East Fork Fire Protection District may from time to time convene a closed session in accordance with NRS 288.220 to discuss matters related to labor negotiations. These sessions will be held in advance of the public portion of the meetings and in the interest of the general public and final call for public comment.

BOARD MEETING

1:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Nathan Leising

PUBLIC COMMENT (No Action)

At this time, public comment will be taken on those matters that are within the jurisdiction and control of the East Fork Fire Protection District Board of Directors but are not on the agenda for this meeting or those agenda items where public comment will not be taken as a public hearing is not legally required as where an item is for presentation only.

Public Comment may be limited to three minutes per speaker, which will be decided by the Board President or other presiding officer in his/her absence. If you are going to comment on a specific agenda item that the East Fork Fire Protection District Board of Directors will take action on, please make your comments when the item is considered and is opened for public comment.

For members of the public not able to be present when an item on the agenda is heard, Speaker/Comment Cards are available in the Lobby at the entrance to the meeting room. These cards should be completed and given to the District Fire Chief or designee.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

The Administrative Calendar will be handled as follows:

- (1.) The President will read the agenda title into the public record.
- (2.) Staff will introduce the item and provide a report, if any.
- (3.) The applicant, if any, will have an opportunity to address the Board.
- (4.) The Board will then discuss the item.
- (5.) Once the Board has concluded their discussion, public comment will be allowed and is limited to three minutes per speaker.
- (6.) Once public comment is completed, the Board will then ask any follow-up questions and take action.

On agenda items that are listed as a “presentation” with no action listed, public comment is not legally required and must be made at the beginning of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 1. For Possible Action.** Approval of proposed agenda. The East Fork Fire Protection District Board of Directors reserves the right to take items in a different order to accomplish business in the most efficient manner, to combine two or more agenda items for consideration, and to remove items from the agenda or delay discussion relating to items on the agenda. (John Bellona, President) 5 minutes.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 2. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to approve the draft meeting minutes of the March 25, 2025, meeting of the East Fork Fire Protection District Board of Directors. (John Bellona, President) 5 minutes.

AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS & DONATIONS

3. For Possible Action. Discussion and possible action regarding Proclamation 2025P-03 recognizing Captain Sky Dwinell on his retirement after over 20 years of service with the East Fork Fire Protection District. (John Bellona, President) 5 minutes.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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Items appearing on the Consent Calendar are items that can be adopted with one motion unless separate consideration is requested by a District Director or a member of the public. Members of the public who wish to have a consent item placed on the Administrative Agenda shall make that request during the public comment section at the beginning of the meeting and specifically state why they are making the request. When items are pulled for discussion, they will automatically be placed at the beginning of the Administrative Agenda or may be continued until another meeting.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar Items A-F

FINANCE

- A. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to accept the report on general ledger cash balances as of March 31, 2025. (Julie Andress, Director of Finance/CFO)

- B. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to approve the receipt and filing of the list of accounts payable checks issued and cash disbursements/automatic withdrawals in March 2025 per NRS 474.210. (Julie Andress, Director of Finance/CFO)

- C. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to approve payroll expenses paid in March 2025 per NRS 474.210. (Julie Andress, Director of Finance/CFO)

- D. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to approve the Procurement Card Transactions paid for in March 2025 per NRS 474.210. (Julie Andress, Director of Finance/CFO)

- E. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to approve the East Fork Fire Protection District’s ambulance billing bad debt write-offs for the period of February 2025 in the amount of \$13,869.04. (Julie Andress, Director of Finance/CFO)

- F. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to accept the report on state consolidated taxes collection and distribution as of January 2025. (Julie Andress, Director of Finance/CFO)

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION IF ANY

- 5. For Presentation Only.** Budget Summary for month ending March 2025. (Julie Andress, Director of Finance/CFO) 5 minutes.
- 6. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action regarding the adoption of the East Fork Fire Protection District Capital Improvement Plan 2025-2030 totaling an estimated \$11,417,857 for the five (5) year period. (Alan Ernst, District Fire Chief and Julie Andress, Director of Finance/CFO) 30 minutes.
- 7. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the District Fire Chief to execute a proposal to purchase a new water tender at a cost not to exceed \$448,110 to support the operational readiness and water supply capabilities of the District. (Alan Ernst, District Fire Chief) 10 minutes.
- 8. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between East Fork Fire Protection District and the Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District and authorize the District Fire Chief to sign the MOU for the life of the agreement. (Alan Ernst, District Fire Chief) 20 minutes.
- 9. For Possible Action.** Discussion and possible action to accept and approve the proposed scoring criteria to be used in the evaluation of the District Fire Chief. (John Bellona, President) 10 minutes.
- 10. For Possible Action.** Discussion and direction to staff regarding legislation or legislative issues proposed by legislators or by other entities permitted by the Nevada State Legislature to submit bill draft requests, or such legislative issues that may impact the East Fork Fire Protection District as may be deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors. (Alan Ernst, District Fire Chief) 10 minutes.
- 11. For Presentation Only.** Reports/updates from East Fork Professional Firefighters Association concerning the various assignments and committees they may be a member of, liaison to, or meetings/functions they have attended. No action will be taken on these reports/updates. (John Bellona, President) 5 minutes.
- 12. For Presentation Only.** Reports/updates from East Fork Volunteer Firefighters Association concerning the various assignments and committees they may be a member of, liaison to, or meetings/functions they have attended. No action will be taken on these reports/updates. (John Bellona, President) 5 minutes.
- 13. For Presentation Only.** Reports/updates from District Board Members and the Fire Chief concerning the various assignments and committees they may be a member of, liaison to, or meetings/functions they have attended. No action will be taken on these reports/updates. (John Bellona, President) 10 minutes.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT (No Action)

At this time, public comment will be taken on those items that are within the jurisdiction and control of the East Fork Fire Protection District Board of Directors or those agenda items where public comment has not already been taken. (John Bellona, President)

14. For Possible Action. Discussion and possible action to adjourn the East Fork Fire Protection District Board Meeting. (John Bellona, President) 5 minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

THE TIMING FOR AGENDA ITEMS IS APPROXIMATE UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED AS A TIME SPECIFIC ITEM. ITEMS MAY BE CONSIDERED AHEAD OF OR AFTER THE SCHEDULE INDICATED BY THIS AGENDA.