

**COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
ESPARTO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
PO BOX 366, 16960 YOLO AVE, ESPARTO, CA**

MEETING LOCATION: ESPARTO COMMUNITY HALL, 17020 YOLO AVE, ESPARTO, CA 95627

**September 10, 2026
MEETING MINUTES**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Rudy Lucero.

2. Roll Call

Members present: Rudy Lucero, Mitch Roath, John Hulsman and Barry Burns

Members Absent: Dave Schwenger

Other present: Assistant Chief Rebecca Schwenger and Monica Burns, Secretary to the Board

3. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns and seconded by Commissioner Hulsman to approve the agenda.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

4. Board Member Communication

None

5. Public Comment

None

6. Approve Minutes of August 13, 2026 Board Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Hulsman and seconded by Commissioner Roath to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2026 meeting.

Ayes: 3 Noes: 0 Abstain: 1 (R. Lucero) Absent: 1 (D. Schwenger)

7. Approve Payment of September 10, 2026 Claims

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns and seconded by Commissioner Hulsman to approve the September 10, 2026 claims.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

8. Review Financial Report Including:

A. Claims Paid on August 8, 2026

The Board reviewed the financial report, along with the claims paid on August 8, 2026.

9. Fire District's Sustainability Ad Hoc Committee

There were no updates

10. Yolo County Fire Safe Council

A. Updates

Commissioner Hulsman reported on several items discussed during the most recent Fire Safe Council Zoom meeting, which was attended by 26 people:

- The Yolo County Regional Resilience Collaborative gave a presentation and provided an update on its grant efforts.
- CAL FIRE reported that all Yolo County personnel and equipment have returned to their stations.
- The Yolo County Office of Emergency Services (OES) is planning to hold a meeting in November.

B. Yolo Prescribed Burn Association

There were no updates.

11. Staff Reports

A. Office Report

Monica Burns provided an update on the OTS Grant and informed the Board that Yolo County's Office of Financial Services is currently operating with one staff vacancy.

B. Building & Maintenance

Monica Burns informed the Board that, after obtaining three informal bid estimates, the palm tree was removed and the tree overhanging the Community Hall was trimmed.

C. Chief's Report

Assistant Chief Rebecca Schwenger informed the Board that the District hired two temporary, as-needed firefighters to assist with staffing while one firefighter is on leave. She also provided an update on the Timber Fire Strike Team, to which three District employees are currently assigned.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns and seconded by Commissioner Roath to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

Monica Burns, Secretary to the Board

Printed Name

Title