

WOODBIDGE RURAL COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
400 East Augusta Street - Woodbridge
REGULAR MEETING – BOARD OF DIRECTORS
June 3, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: President Duke called the regular meeting of the Woodbridge Rural County Fire Protection District Board of Directors to order at 10:01 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: David Duke, Richard Gerlack and Thomas Alexander
Absent: Michael Manna and Operations Chief Brian Bernier
Staff Present: Fire Chief Darin Downey and District Secretary Diana Tidwell

MINUTES: On motion of Gerlack, seconded by Alexander, the minutes of the regular meeting on April 15, 2026, approved as written. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICE COMMITTEE REPORT: Director Gerlack gave the Invoice Committee Report for the period ending April 30, 2026, which included reviewing the district's bills and employee costs, and found them to be in order. On motion of Gerlack, seconded by Alexander, financials for April 2026 in the amount of \$816,870.41 approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICE COMMITTEE: Director Alexander and Director Manna will serve on the Invoice Committee scheduled to review on June 24, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. with the regular meeting following at 10:00 a.m.

BUSINESS NOT ON AGENDA FROM PUBLIC:

- A. Peter Iturraran turned in application for Board Vacancy and wanted to introduce himself to the Board of Directors.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

- A. Alarm & Fire Prevention Report:
Chief Downey reviewed the Alarm and Fire Prevention Reports, and each board member received a copy. Alarm reports show 181 calls for the month of April 2026, bringing the yearly total to 667, a decrease of 12 calls from last year. The district completed 12 fire inspections during the month of April.
- B. City of Lodi Annexation:
Chief Downey advised there have been no updates on annexations from a district standpoint other than the City of Lodi did file the application for annexation.
- C. Dispatch Center Update:
All ambulances including CenCal are now being dispatched by Stockton Fire dispatch.
- D. Classroom Update:
Classroom renovations started last week. The district budgeted 140k for total classroom project and any remaining funds will be used for training center concrete.
- E. Lateral Engineer Testing:
The district completed the lateral engineer testing and there will be two lateral engineers and 1 firefighter starting the beginning of July. All candidates will be completing physicals, fingerprinting, and backgrounds in the next couple of weeks. An orientation and family meet and greet will be held June 26, 2026.

OPERATION CHIEF'S REPORT:

- A. None

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Received resignation notice from Captain Brandon Carr. His last day was June 2, 2026. Also received a retirement notice from Captain Ricardo Ramirez whose last day is June 10, 2026.

ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Board Vacancy Appointment:
Board Vacancy Appointment tabled until June 24, 2026 board meeting.
- B. Approve Resolution 26-1 Jaime Ramirez Industrial Disability Retirement:
Action item moved until after closed session. See closed session item A.
- C. Approve Resolution 26-2 Election Consolidation:
On motion of Alexander, seconded by Gerlack, Resolution 26-2 Election Consolidation approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Approve Resolution 26-3 FY 26/27 Prop 4 Appropriation Limit:
On motion of Gerlack, seconded by Alexander, Resolution 26-3 Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Prop 4 Appropriation Limit approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION:

- A. Workers Compensation claim pursuant to California Government Code Section §54956.95
- B. Complaint Against a Public Employee(s) pursuant to California Government Code Section §54957
The meeting convened into closed session at 10:35 a.m.
The meeting reconvened into open session at 11:19 a.m. with the following action from the Board of Directors:
 - 1. On motion of Gerlack, seconded by Alexander, Resolution 26-1 Industrial Disability Retirement for Jaime Ramirez approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.
 - 2. No Action taken on line-item B. Informational purposes only.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- A. Director Alexander requests doing something for Jaime and Ricardo Ramirez retirements to show appreciation for their years of service with the district. Chief will plan a lunch with both after the next board of directors meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of Duke, seconded by Gerlack, the Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 11:26 am. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

DIANA TIDWELL, District Board Secretary