

WOODBIDGE RURAL COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
400 East Augusta Street - Woodbridge
REGULAR MEETING – BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 30, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: President Duke called the regular meeting of the Woodbridge Rural County Fire Protection District Board of Directors to order at 10:07 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: David Duke, Richard Gerlack, Peter Iturraran 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 Iturraran, the minutes of the regular meeting on August 26, 2026, approved as written. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICE COMMITTEE REPORT: Director Gerlack gave the Invoice Committee Report for the period ending August 31, 2026, which included reviewing the district's bills and employee costs, and found them to be in order. On motion of Gerlack, seconded by Duke, financials for August 2026 in the amount of \$637,502.46 approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICE COMMITTEE: Director Iturraran and Director Gerlack will serve on the Invoice Committee scheduled to review on October 28, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. with the regular meeting following at 10:00 a.m.

BUSINESS NOT ON AGENDA FROM PUBLIC:

A. None

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 205 calls for the month of August 2026, bringing the yearly total to 1514, an increase of 89 calls from last year. The district completed 15 fire inspections during the month of August.

B. Update on ARPA Funding:

There is approximately \$16,500 remaining in ARPA funding which must be used by December 2026. The remaining funds will be used to pour concrete slab in the back for training. If the cost to pour is over the \$16,500 Chief Downey will request approval from the Board to cover additional expenses.

C. Update on Transition to Stockton Fire Dispatch Center:

Transition to Stockton Dispatch is underway and will be live tomorrow, October 1, 2026. Dispatch will be tone testing today.

D. Update on Classroom:

Classroom project is almost completed. All software and computers currently being installed and upgraded in the classroom.

E. City of Lodi Maverick Annexation Update:

Chief Downey met with Maverick and the City of Lodi and presented a 15-year property tax revenue based on the updated assessment of the parcel. District will be due \$62,359 over 15-year period based on 1% CPI adjustment. Chief will bring an MOU to next meeting. The assessed value was \$2,136,144.

OPERATION CHIEF'S REPORT:

A. None

CORRESPONDENCE:

A. None

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Approve Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Final Budget:

On motion of Alexander, seconded by Gerlack, Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Final Budget in the amount of \$7,021,345 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 10:49 a.m.

The meeting reconvened into open session at 11:58 a.m. with the following action from the Board of Directors:

1. No action taken on line-item A. Informational purposes only.
2. No action taken on line-item B. Informational purposes only.

BOARD COMMENTS:

A. Alexander inquired on loose wiring, electrical outlets, and detectors. Chief Downey advised they are still working on the software upgrades and all loose or hanging items will be fixed upon completion.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of Duke, seconded by Iturraran, the Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

DIANA TIDWELL, District Board Secretary