



## **FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT**

### **NORTH ADA COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER MEETING**

January 12, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

**Station 16  
5800 Glenwood**

### **MINUTES**

North Ada County Fire & Rescue District Board of Commissioners did conduct a regular Commissioner Meeting at 4:00 p.m., Monday, January 12, 2026. The meeting was conducted in compliance with Idaho Open Meetings Law.

#### **Call To Order: 4:00 p.m.**

**Commissioner Roll Call: Commissioners Ramey, Souza and Bunderson were present.**

#### **Swearing In – Commissioner J. Todd Bunderson – Subdistrict #3**

Commissioner Souza administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Todd Bunderson.

#### **\* Consideration to appoint Chairman of the Board for the year 2026.**

Commissioner Souza made motion to appoint Commissioner Ramey as Chairman of the Board for the year 2026. Commissioner Bunderson second. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes). Motion carried. Commissioner Ramey accepted the nomination.

#### **\* Consideration to appoint District Administrator for Impact Fees for 2026 – Shelley Vaughan**

Commissioner Bunderson made motion to appoint Shelley Vaughan as District Administrator for Impact Fees for 2026. Commissioner Ramey second. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes), Ramey (yes). Motion carried.

#### **\* Consideration to approve Fire District Commissioner Meeting Dates for 2026.**

Commissioners Souza and Bunderson reviewed the 2026 Commissioner Meeting Dates. The dates are the second Monday of the month at 4:00 p.m. at Station 16 with the exception of the October meeting date which will be moved to Tuesday, October 13, due to the second Monday being a holiday. Commissioner Bunderson made motion to approve the Fire District Commissioner Meeting Dates for 2026. Commissioner Ramey second. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes), Ramey (yes). Motion carried.

**\*Consideration to Approve Minutes dated December 8, 2025.**

Commissioner Ramey made motion to approve the minutes dated December 8, 2025. Commissioner Bunderson second. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes), Ramey (yes). Motion carried.

**\*Consideration to Approve the Check List dated January 12, 2026.**

Commissioner Souza asked DA Vaughan if there is anything on the check list that she would like to bring to the Board's attention. DA Vaughan stated that the Q2 NACFR/Boise JPA payment is on the check list as well as several hardware purchases for M&O at Stations 16 and 18. Commissioner Bunderson made motion to approve the check list. Commissioner Ramey second. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Souza (yes), Bunderson (yes), Ramey (yes). Motion carried.

**Boise Fire Department Update – Assistant Chief Romeo Gervais & Chief Aaron Hummel**

Chief Hummel addressed the NACFR Board for the first time since being appointed Chief of Boise Fire Department. Chief Hummel expressed a desire to work with NACFR to achieve economies of scale in the future.

**Call Volume Data:** Chief Gervais reviewed the call volume data for NACFR's area-December 2025.

**Boise/NACFR Liaison:** Chief Gervais reported that he will remain the liaison between Boise and NACFR and will continue to attend Commissioner meetings going forward.

**Collective Labor Agreement:** Boise Fire will begin preparing to negotiate a new CLA in May or June with the actual bargaining beginning in September.

**New BFD Apparatus:** Boise Fire will be receiving 4 new apparatus in 2026. One ladder truck is being constructed at Pierce. One new brush truck arrives in February and will be housed at Station 9. Stations 11 and 13 will receive new engines which should be in service sometime in May.

**SAFR Grant:** Chief Hummel stated that Boise City Mayor/Council have given approval for BFD to apply for a SAFR grant to hire a 4<sup>th</sup> firefighter for 3 engines. The SAFR Grant lasts for 3 years with 75% of the hiring costs covered in years 1 and 2 and 35% of the costs covered in year 3. The "keep period" (requirement to retain hires after the SAFR grant expires) is not a requirement this year.

**Station 18 Opening:** Chief Hummel stated that he would like to see greater rescue capability along the waterfront district within NACFR's boundaries. He believes a rescue pumper hybrid stationed at firehouse 18 is a way to accomplish that. When NACFR is able to open Station 18 Boise Fire is willing to fund a 4<sup>th</sup> firefighter at that location.

**Legislative Update:** Chief Hummel provided information from his notes on the 2026 Legislative Session Agenda. He believes there is legislation written that would negate the issues created by HB389. He also notes that Josh Tanner (Commissioner/Chairman at Eagle Fire) is on the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee in 2026 as Chairman or Co-Chairman.

**Single Stairwell Code Change:** Chief Gervais explained a new movement to change the "double stairwell requirement" on multi-level residential dwellings. The code change would be state-wide and is a challenge for Idaho due to limited resources in smaller towns and urban areas.

**Eagle Fire Department Update – Chief Theron Hudson & Operations Chief Ben Rosenbaum**

**Call Volume Data:** Chief Hudson reviewed call volume data for NACFR’s area-December 2025. Reliability rating is at 96% -- meaning that when a call comes into the first-due area engine 45 is available and responding to the call.

**Academy:** EFD will run another Recruit Academy. Interviews begin next week.

**Fire Station Builds:** The Avimor developer wants to break ground on a fire station this year. Also, the new Station 2 and Station 4 will be under construction shortly. Permits are obtained, and a construction company is hired – Wright Brothers. Also, a new Training Ground will be constructed in the general vicinity of the “old Station 2”.

**New Business: None.**

**\*Adjourn: 4:38 p.m.** Commissioner Bunderson made motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ramey second. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Bunderson (yes), Ramey (yes), Souza (yes). Motion carried.

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Jeff Ramey, Commissioner/Chairman

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Date:

**\* Action Item**