

REGULAR MEETING - MINUTES

GEORGETOWN FIRE DISTRICT
Station 61-6283 Main Street, Georgetown, CA 95634
Friday, July 10, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Davis called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Director Davis, Director Webb, Director Anderson.

Absent: Director Estrada and Director Steward.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Director Webb and seconded by Director Anderson to approve the agenda.

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Director Davis, Director Webb, Director Anderson.

Noes: None.

Absent: Director Estrada and Director Steward.

Abstain: None.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

Items:

- **3.1** May 8, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
- **3.2** June 10, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes
- **3.3** Monthly Bills and Financial Reports for May and June 2026

It was moved by Director Webb and seconded by Director Anderson to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Director Davis, Director Webb, Director Anderson.

Noes: None.

Absent: Director Estrada and Director Steward.

Abstain: None.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT - No public comments were received.

5.0 PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Recognition of Rod Williams' Retirement and Service to the Georgetown Fire Protection District

The Board recognized Rod Williams for his many years of dedicated service to the Georgetown Fire Protection District and presented him with a plaque in appreciation of his contributions. Mr. Williams thanked the Board and staff, reflected on his time with the District, and expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve. He also shared his thoughts on the District's future, encouraging the Board to continue seeking new approaches to address ongoing challenges. Board members thanked Mr. Williams for his commitment, service, and lasting contributions to the District.

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6.0 FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – Fire Chief reviewed the written Fire Chief's Report as included in the Board packet, highlighting recent incidents, training activities, and ongoing projects. The Board received the report.

7.0 AD HOC FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – No report was presented.

8.0 FLEET PROGRAM REPORT – No report was presented.

9.0 ACTION ITEMS

9.1 DISCUSSION ITEMS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a) **Board Meeting Schedule Update**

Staff provided an update regarding the July 2026 Board meeting schedule and the postponement of the Strategic Planning Workshop. The Board discussed the importance of conducting a strategic planning session and identified the need for an internal Board discussion prior to future collaborative discussions. The Board scheduled the Strategic Planning Workshop for August 14, 2026, following the Regular Board Meeting.

b) **OES Contract – Engine 4101 and WT 41**

Fire Chief informed the Board that the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) is considering terminating the District's OES agreement due to the lack of apparatus deployments in recent years. He outlined the available options, including returning the apparatus, recommitting to the program and meeting deployment requirements, or requesting additional time to train personnel and comply with CalOES standards.

The Board discussed the District's current staffing levels, training requirements, deployment capacity, operational priorities, administrative workload, financial considerations, and the long-term value of participating in the CalOES program. Board members considered the benefits of maintaining the partnership with CalOES against the District's current operational and fiscal constraints, noting that the District's limited staffing and resources are better aligned with deploying District-owned apparatus on reimbursable assignments.

By consensus, the Board directed the Fire Chief to notify CalOES that the District will discontinue participation in the OES apparatus program, acknowledging the longstanding partnership while explaining the District's current operational and financial limitations.

9.2 RESOLUTION NO. 2026-07

Staff presented Resolution No. 2026-07 establishing the Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Appropriations Limit. The Board noted that establishing the appropriations limit is an annual requirement. Discussion included clarification that the appropriations limit amount was prepared by the District's consultant. The Board confirmed the appropriations limit calculation and proceeded with consideration of the resolution.

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It was moved by Director Anderson and seconded by Director Webb to adopt Resolution No. 2026-07 establishing the Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Appropriations Limit.

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Director Davis, Director Webb, Director Anderson.

Noes: None.

Absent: Director Estrada and Director Steward.

Abstain: None.

9.3 RESOLUTION NO. 2026-08

Staff presented Resolution No. 2026-08 declaring an election to be held within the District's jurisdiction and requesting election services. The Board discussed the election process, including candidate filing requirements, potential election costs, and consolidation with other jurisdictions to reduce expenses.

It was moved by Director Webb and seconded by Director Anderson to adopt Resolution No. 2026-08 declaring an election to be held within the District's jurisdiction and requesting election services.

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Director Davis, Director Webb, Director Anderson.

Noes: None.

Absent: Director Estrada and Director Steward.

Abstain: None.

9.4 RESOLUTION NO. 2026-09

Staff

presented Resolution No. 2026-09 providing notice of intention to adopt or amend the District's Conflict-of-Interest Code. Staff clarified that the update is required periodically and does not include substantive changes. The Board briefly discussed conflict-of-interest disclosure requirements under the Form 700 process.

It was moved by Director Anderson and seconded by Director Webb to adopt Resolution No. 2026-09 providing notice of intention to adopt or amend the District's Conflict-of-Interest Code.

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Director Davis, Director Webb, Director Anderson.

Noes: None.

Absent: Director Estrada and Director Steward.

Abstain: None.

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS AND ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Public comment on closed session items will be received before the Board adjourns to closed session. Time: 10:11 a.m.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

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Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

10.1 *Sampson v. Georgetown Fire Protection District*

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and (d)(3)

10.2 Significant exposure to litigation against the District has been identified, in the opinion of the District Board and on the advice of legal counsel, based on existing facts and circumstances. A statement threatening litigation has been made by a person outside an open and public meeting on a specific matter within the responsibility of the legislative body. The official or employee of the local agency who received knowledge of the threat has made a contemporaneous or other record of the statement before the meeting, and that record is available for public inspection pursuant to Section 54957.5.

California Government Code Section 54956.9(e)(5)

Glenn Brown

11.0 ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Time: 10:42 a.m.

12.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

No reportable action was taken during closed session.

MEDIA –The Board received updates regarding recent District recognition activities, including a Little Heroes presentation recognizing a young community member for assisting during a medical emergency.

13.0 FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

Special Board Meeting – Fire Suppression Assessment Resolution

Staff requested scheduling a Special Board Meeting prior to July 22, 2026, to consider adoption of a resolution approving the fire suppression assessment amounts. The Board scheduled the Special Board Meeting for July 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Ready El Dorado Presentation

A Board member requested a future agenda item to invite representatives from Ready El Dorado to provide a presentation regarding the proposed sales tax initiative and potential impacts to the District. The Board agreed to add the item to a future agenda for presentation and possible action.

15.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS / GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Board received an update regarding fuel reduction projects, including a proposal submitted by the Garden Valley fuel crew for vegetation management along transmission corridors. Board members shared positive feedback regarding recent fuel reduction and chipping program efforts.

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16.0 FUTURE MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting: Friday, August 14, 2026, at 9:00 A.M.

A Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. to consider adoption of a resolution approving the fire suppression assessment amounts.

It was moved by Director Anderson and seconded by Director Webb to adjourn the meeting.
The meeting adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Medsger
Board Clerk