

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA - MINUTES

GEORGETOWN FIRE DISTRICT
Station 61-6283 Main Street, Georgetown, CA 95634
Friday, May 8, 2026, at 9:00 A.M.

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

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

Present: President Davis, Director Anderson, Director Estrada, and Director Steward.

Absent: Vice President Webb

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: President Davis, Director Anderson, Director Estrada, Director Steward.

Noes: None.

Absent: Vice President Webb.

Abstain: None.

No public comments were received.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

Items:

3.1 April 10, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

3.2 April 22, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes

3.3 Monthly Bills and Financial Reports

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

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: President Davis, Director Anderson, Director Estrada, Director Steward.

Noes: None.

Absent: Vice President Webb.

Abstain: None.

No public comments were received.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Any member of the public may address the Board for matters not listed on the agenda but within the jurisdictional authority of the District. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person, or such other time limit as may be imposed by the Board President to enable the Board to complete its agenda within a reasonable period.

No public comment was received.

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5.0 PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

5.1 Chief Loveless, CalFire – Preliminary Fire Season Outlook Update

Chief Lovelace provided a fire season outlook presentation, reporting near-average rainfall, below-normal snowpack, increased grass fuel loading, and earlier-than-normal fuel curing conditions. He reviewed seasonal staffing and available resources, including engines, hand crews, aircraft, and year-round staffing efforts. The presentation also highlighted the continued cooperative relationship and joint training efforts between CAL FIRE and Georgetown Fire Protection District.

5.2 Board of Directors – The Board noted the retirement of Rod Williams; however, Rod was not in attendance. No action was taken.

6.0 FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT – Report received and filed as submitted.

7.0 AD HOC FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – Director Estrada/Chief Norman

The Finance Committee provided an update on the Fiscal Year 2026–2027 preliminary budget development. The Committee reported ongoing efforts to refine and separate District and JPA revenues and expenditures to improve transparency, accuracy, and long-term financial planning.

Directors reviewed the proposed JPA and District budgets, including payroll, benefits, retirement, workers’ compensation, administrative costs, rent, utilities, and projected revenues.

Discussion included the potential updated employee pay scale and its impact on staffing costs and JPA reimbursement limits.

Directors discussed and provided direction regarding the treatment of rent reimbursements between the JPA and District budgets.

No action taken. Direction provided for continued refinement of budget presentation for clarity and consistency.

8.0 FLEET PROGRAM REPORT – A/O Cimmarusti

- Engine 265 returned to FEPP program and reassigned to Bryceland Fire (Humboldt County).
- WT41 pending final return to OES.
- Engine 61 available for sale; interest received from outside agency.
- Engine 361 out of service for repairs; return expected prior to fire season.
- Temporary apparatus reconfiguration in place for operational readiness.

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9.0 ACTION ITEMS

9.1 Resolution No. 2026-06 – Pay Scale for Newly Hired Employees

It was moved by Director Estrada and seconded by Director Steward to approved Resolution No. 2026-06.

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: President Davis, Director Anderson, Director Estrada, Director Steward.

Noes: None.

Absent: Vice President Webb.

Abstain: None.

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS AND ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Time: **11:14 A.M.**

Public comment on closed session items will be taken prior to adjournment to closed session.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

10.1 Sampson v. Georgetown Fire Protection District

(Gov. Code §54956.9(d)(1))

10.2 Anticipated litigation

(Gov. Code §54956.9(d)(2), (d)(3), (e)(5)) – one potential case

11.0 ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Time: **11:40 A.M.**

12.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

12.1 No reportable action taken.

12.2 No reportable action taken.

13.0 FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

None identified.

Next Regular Meeting:

Friday, June 12, 2026 at 9:00 A.M.

14.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS/MEDIA

Announcements:

Director Anderson shared a personal request for assistance with ongoing veterans' cemetery projects, seeking long-term volunteer support for memorial maintenance and coordination activities.

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15.0 FUTURE MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting: Friday June 12, 2026, at 9:00 A.M.

It was moved by Director Steward and seconded by Director Estrada to adjourn the meeting.
The meeting adjourned at **11:42 A.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Medsger
Administrative Officer / Board Secretary