

**LIBERTY RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
Thursday, July 9th, 2026  
1:00 PM**

**ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER:**

- 1.1 The meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m., by Chairman Howard Wegat.

**ITEM 2. ROLL CALL:**

- 2.1 Those present included:

| <b><u>Directors</u></b> | <b><u>District Staff</u></b>         | <b><u>Members of the Public</u></b> |
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| Howard Wegat            | Chief Todd Rausser                   | Kim Laskowski                       |
| Bob Erman               | District Secretary Kimberly Shepherd |                                     |
| Dan Schmierer - Absent  |                                      |                                     |

**ITEM 3. MINUTES:**

- 3.1 Mr. Erman moved that June 2026, minutes, be approved correct as delivered. Mr. Wegat seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

**ITEM 4. POSTING OF THE AGENDA:**

- 4.1 The agenda was posted at Liberty Rural Fire Protection District, Oakview School and at [www.libertyfiredistrict.com](http://www.libertyfiredistrict.com), on July 2, 2026.

**ITEM 5. HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC:**

- 5.1 Kim Laskowski indicated that she is getting frustrated with absences, rescheduling & inconsistency of being here. She indicated that there is constant rescheduling. Kimberly Shepherd will create a schedule for the whole year and see if there are any changes to hopefully eliminate the rescheduling issue.

**ITEM 6. FINANCIAL REPORT:**

- 6.1 Mr. Erman had a question regarding ISU Insurance and requested that we check on comparables. Chief will check with other departments to see who they go through and approximate cost. Mr. Erman questions about the purchase from Galt sign with was for stickers and shirts. Distinctive Recognition wasn't returning calls, so we went to Galt Sign to have the images and three shirts for each employee made. Mr. Erman made a motion to approve payables for the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$199,566.14, Mr. Wegat seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

**ITEM 7. CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 7.1 None

**ITEM 8. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

- 8.1 Incident Run Report – There were 34 calls for the month of June.
- 8.2 Chiefs Meeting- Fire member from CenCal indicated that everything is working good for them. County Fire Marshal indicated that new regs are coming.
- 8.3 JRUG – Negotiations are still happening with Stockton Fire dispatch. Recently the Sheriff contacted JRUG and indicated that they wanted to take over our dispatch. We will have to see what the group wants to do. There are three entities that will be moving to Stockton dispatch. Ambulance response has improved, since they went back to the old AMR posting plan.

**ITEM 9. OLD BUSINESS:**

- 9.1 They started working on the concrete and will be done within the next few weeks.
- 9.2 Type III Chassis Build, Hi-Tech lost two staff, therefore it will be moving forward slowly. They have radio equipment and will start installing that and Starlink.
- 9.3 Antenna Relocation – On Hold. Waiting for Silva to put in a tower that we can get service from.

**ITEM 10. NEW BUSINESS:**

- 10.1 Budget – had a few questions, Kimberly will be adding the expected interest into the main budget.
- 10.2 Chief and John will be talking to a new potential Secretary.

**ITEM 11. CLOSED SESSION:**

- 11.1 None

**ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT:**

- 12.1 The meeting was adjourned at 2:02 pm.