

Liberty Fire District

3910 Kings Lake Rd. DeFuniak Springs Fl. 32433



Meeting Date and Time

Date of Meeting: July 2nd 2026

Time of Meeting: 6:00 PM

Meeting Location

Location of Meeting: Liberty Fire District South Station
3278 US Hwy 90 W
DeFuniak Springs, Florida 32433

Meeting Attendees

Board Members Present at Meeting:

Seat 1 John Curry, Seat 2 Mike Engel, Seat 3 James Odom, Seat 4 Philip Canterbury Jr,

Board Members Absent:

Seat 5 John Bottoms,

Staff/Volunteer Members Present at Meeting:

Chief Dunham

The regular meeting of the Liberty Fire District Board of Liberty Fire District was called to order at 6:00 PM on July 2nd, 2026, at Liberty Fire District South Station by Chairman Odom.

I. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

- a. Pledge of Allegiance by Chairman Odom
- b. Invocation by Attorney Youell

II. Approval of Meeting minutes

- a. **Motion to approve June 3rd RBM made by Treasurer Engel and Seconded by Secretary Curry, Comments – None, Motion Passes Unanimously**

III. Treasurer Report

- a. Financial Report presented by Treasurer Engel.
 - i. **Motion to approve Treasurer's report made by Secretary Curry. Second Treasurer Engel Comments - None, Motion passes unanimously.**

IV. Old Business

- a. Grant Update
 - i. Committee Update – received a grant (Donation) for Drip Drop rehydration packs at no cost to the district. The board was also advised that a safer grant in the amount of \$977740 was applied for, Micro Grant for \$68000 to replace the SCBA Fill Station was applied for, and Fire Act Grant in the amount of \$586000.00 for a new fire truck replacement. No action by the board needed.
- b.

V. New Business

- a. City Switch Lease Agreement – The City Switch Lease agreement was reviewed, and each board member ask questions and for changes to be made. The Attorney was task to review for legal items and send to Chairman Odom so he could send the changes back to City Switch.
- b. Central Station Damage – The board was advised of damage to the central fire station and Tanker 7 due to a compartment door coming open when it was leaving the station. The Insurance company is sending a claims adjuster out to look at the damage. Steps was made to secure the building.

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- c. Insurance Renewal – Chairman Odom shared the Liability and Property Insurance renewal cost with the board. It will be an increase of \$1000.00 but to help lower the initial increase the deductibles were increased from \$250.00 to \$1000.00.
- d. 3rd Annual Mid-Summer Bash – Reminder that the Mid-Summer Bash will be on July 11th and all board members are invited to meet the public.
- e. Board Seat 5 – Discussion on how to fill seat 5 in November since no one qualified for the seat. No action by the board.

VI. Chiefs Report

- a. Monthly Call Report – Chief Dunham provided an overview of the previous month's calls.
- b. Monthly Training Report – Chief Dunham provided an overview of the previous months training.
- c. Maintenance Report – Chief Dunham and Chairman Odom provided an overview of the previous months truck and station maintenance.

VII. Board Attorney

- a. The Board Attorney – No Bill presented

VIII. Board Members' Comments

- a. None

IX. Public Comment – None

X. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn made by Treasurer Engel. Second by Secretary Curry, Comments – None, Motion approved unanimously
- b. Meeting adjourned at 06:46 pm .

The next meeting will be held at 6:00 PM on August 3rdst, 2025, at:

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Meeting Minutes Approved on September 2nd 2026

Board Chairman James Odom

Board Secretary John Curry

Meeting Minutes prepared by James Odom