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In accordance with A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby provided to members of the Alpine Fire District and the general public that a public meeting will be convened at the Alpine Fire Station on the date specified within this notice. The District Board may enter into executive session regarding any agenda item, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), for the purpose of obtaining legal counsel from the district's attorney or addressing matters detailed within the agenda. Participation by teleconference is permitted for District Board members and other attendees. The topics listed below, along with any related variables, are subject to review, discussion, approval, or other action by the Board. All items are scheduled for potential action.

**MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE ALPINE FIRE DISTRICT STATION 1 – ALPINE
#42688 HWY 180
ALPINE, AZ 85920**

DATE POSTED: July 9, 2026

POSTED BY: FIRE CHIEF TRAVIS NOTH for the Board.

The meeting room will be accessible to the public at 8:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL 8:30 A.M.

**MINUTES - FOR July 8, 2026, ALPINE FIRE DISTRICT
OPEN PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS THE FY 27 BUDGET.**

1. CALL TO ORDER.

The Open Hearing was called to order at 8:30 AM.

2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS.

Present Board Members: Tom White, Tony Pellegrino, Linda Fite, Kathy Given, and Dow Waite.

- 3. Public Comment Invitation: A.R.S. § 38-431.01(I)** A public body may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. Individual's wishing to address the Board must complete a Request to Speak Form before the meeting begins. Each speaker will be allotted three (3) minutes to present their remarks to the Board.

NONE.

4. Discussion Only: FY 27 BUDGET.

The Board reviewed the FY 27 Official Budget for discussion purposes only.

5. ADJOURNMENT.

Treasurer Waite moved to adjourn, and Member Pellegrino seconded the motion. The motion was approved at 8:33 AM.

~ Immediately following the Budget Hearing ~

MINUTES – For the July 8, 2026, ALPINE FIRE DISTRICT REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING.

1. CALL TO ORDER.

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 AM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Chairman White led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL BOARD MEMBERS.

Present Board Members: Tony Pellegrino, Linda Fite, Kathy Given, Dow Waite, and Tom White.

4. Discussion and Possible Action: Approval of July 8, 2026, Regular Monthly Board Meeting Agenda.

Treasurer Waite moved to approve the agenda, and Member Given seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

5. Discussion and Possible Action: Approval of the June 10, 2026, Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes.

Clerk Fite moved to approve the June 10, 2026, Open Public Hearing and Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes. Member Pellegrino seconded the motion, and it was approved.

6. Public Comment Invitation: A.R.S. § 38-431.01(I) A public body may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. Individual's wishing to address the Board must complete a Request to Speak Form before the meeting begins. Each speaker will be allotted three (3) minutes to present their remarks to the Board.

NONE.

Monthly Reports from Officers and Committees.

7. **Discussion and Possible Action:** **FY 27 Budget Committee Report.**
Treasurer Waite moved to thank the Budget Committee, and Member Pellegrino seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
8. **Discussion and Possible Action:** **Alpine Fire District Monthly Financial Report.**
Treasurer Waite presented the financial report, including the following balances:
AFD Warrant Account: \$-45,584.45
AFD BMO Account: \$245,432.29
Total: \$198,847.84
As the fiscal year closed, the warrant account did not recover as expected. The additional FDAT funds not allocated by Apache County will not appear in the district's account and will be treated as reduced county revenue. Because the BMO account remains strong, funds will be transferred to balance the warrant account. The district's profit/loss and budget-to-actual percentages were consistent with FY 26 budget figures. Alpine Fire District also expects to receive an additional \$202,407 from wildland assignments in the next few weeks, further supporting the warrant account. Member Pellegrino moved to accept the Financial Report, and Member Given seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
9. **Discussion and Possible Action:** **Alpine Fire District Monthly Operational Report.**
Emergency and Non-Emergency Responses for June 2026.
Total Responses: 57
2026 Wildland Resource Status:
California Task Force: *Pending.*
A-S Task Force: *Pending.*
Pocket Fire: *Pending.*
2026 Rural EMS/Rescue Fund Status:
AFD 2026-001: Paid — Forest Road 249.
AFD 2026-002: *Denied* — KP Trailhead.
AFD 2026-003: Paid — Forest Road 249/276.
2026 Out-of-District Fire Billing:
Grant Updates:
Vehicle and Equipment Requests:
The district submitted a grant application to the Gila River Indian Community for a new Command/Chase Vehicle.
The district submitted a grant application to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for extrication equipment.
Approved Funding:
Funding for the new Rescue Unit has been approved. The project remains on hold until the district's funding share is available.

Wildland and Firefighter Support:

The district submitted a Homeland Security Grant application for six additional wildland radios. If awarded, funding is expected in August or September.

The district submitted an Assistance to Firefighters Grant application for a replacement SCBA fill station.

Miscellaneous:

Fire crews remained active throughout the month, with two district resources deployed on wildland assignments:

- E-1833, staffed by Dave, Adriana, Brett B., and Tristen, responded to the Pocket Fire near Oak Creek Canyon in Sedona.
- T-1837, staffed by Sheyenne and Tyler, was assigned to the A-S Task Force based out of Show Low.

Both assignments allowed the district to support regional wildfire operations while putting district resources to productive use.

Clerk Fite moved to accept the Operational Report, and Treasurer Waite seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

10. **Discussion and Possible Action:** Alpine Fire District Monthly Board Report.
None. No Action Taken.

OLD BUSINESS.

11. **Discussion and Possible Action:** Alpine East and Greenlee County Annexation Project.
Terra Systems Southwest was unavailable for the meeting. Chief Noth presented a document showing that federal property makes up 40% of the district's immediate service area, including infrastructure AFD is sworn to protect without compensation. Member Pellegrino moved to table action until the August meeting, and Treasurer Waite seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS.

12. **Discussion and Possible Action:** Adoption of the FY 27 Budget.
Treasurer Waite moved to approve the FY 27 Budget, and Member Pellegrino seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
13. **Discussion Only:** Elections Information Update.
Chief Noth informed the Board that the district would be fortunate enough to have to cover election costs this year.

14. Discussion and Possible Action: EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- a. **Discussion and Possible Action:** The board may vote to enter Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1) to discuss F/T Employment Matters.

Clerk Fite moved to recess the regular meeting, and Treasurer Waite seconded the motion. The motion was approved at 9:08 AM.

Member Pellegrino moved to enter executive session, and Treasurer Waite seconded the motion. The motion was approved at 9:09 AM.

Treasurer Waite moved to exit executive session, and Clerk Fite seconded the motion. The motion was approved at 9:42 AM.

Member Pellegrino moved to reconvene the regular meeting, and Member Given seconded the motion. The motion was approved at 9:42 AM.

Treasurer Waite moved to authorize the fire chief to make necessary changes to the district's Educational Agreement for full-time employees, and Member Pellegrino seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

15. Discussion and Possible Action: Confirm Date and Time of the August meeting.

Treasurer Waite moved to hold the August meeting on August 19, 2026, at 8:30 AM at Alpine Station 1. Clerk Fite seconded the motion, and it was approved.

16. Discussion Only: Consideration of Agenda Items for the August meeting.

Education Agreement Policy.

Annexation.

State Fire School.

Audit Engagement Letter.

Election Candidate Information.

17. ADJOURNMENT.

Member Pellegrino moved to adjourn, and Clerk Fite seconded the motion. The motion was approved at 9:45 AM.

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