**Umatilla Fire District Meeting**

The May 28, 2025, meeting called to order by Board Chairman Kyle Sipe

Present:

Board Members: Robert Holden, Darla Huxel, and Kyle Sipe.

Absent: Steven Williams and Tracy Finck

Motion to approve the agenda by Robert, 2nd by Darla approved unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes for May Meeting by Darla, 2nd by Robert approved unanimously.

Approval of Bill List and Statements: Done, approved by signature

Public Comment: None

Correspondence:

Audience Participation: None

Chief’s Report: See agenda packet-

Union Business:

Old Business:

1. Personnel Handbook-Darla sent changes that Jeannie has made, Robert made the motion to approve as written with minor changes as needed, 2nd by Darla approved unanimously.
2. Facilities Improvement Committee- Chief Baker and Tracy Finck met and will move forward with plans to form a committee.

New Business:

1. Resolution 2-2024-2025 Approval of 2025-2026 Budget, motion by Darla to approve the budget for the 2025-2026 budget year, 2nd by Robert. Motion approved unanimously.
2. Resolution 3-2024-2025 Interfund Transfers Y/E 2024-2025, changed to acceptance of Amazon funds to supplement and designate to items the grant requested. Motion to accept funding from amazon of $100,000 and distribute towards items needed by Robert, 2nd by Darla, Approved unanimously.
3. Approval to eliminate the “Senior Firefighter” designation and implement the title of “Lieutenant” for applicable personnel, effective 6/1/2025 in alignment with IAFF Contract. Motion by Darla to eliminate Senior Firefighter and implement Lieutenants, 2nd by Robert. Motion approved unanimously. ro
4. Discussion on the automatic aid agreement with UCFD1 and URFPD to allow for quick response to incidents and to ensure ISO credits. Chief Baker presented the auto aid agreement and discussion regarding benefits to surrounding agencies.

Darla had concerns regarding automatic dispatch, Chief Baker explained that dispatch has moved to a county wide unit level dispatching system.

ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA OPEN TO PUBLIC, BOARD AND STAFF PARTICIPATION:

Robert would like a representative from PERS to meet with the union regarding preparing for retirement early. Jeannie has offered to set this up, however she needs commitment from the union/employees of majority attendance. She will continue to work with them; she has provided information regarding online information for them as well.

AGENDA SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

Motion to adjourn by Darla, 2nd by Robert. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm

Kyle Sipe, Board Chairman Jeannie Bowman, Clerk