

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THORNTON RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
25999 Thornton Rd., Thornton, CA. 95686
May 14, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Allan called the regular meeting of the Thornton County Fire Protection District Board of Directors to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: Jim Allan, William Stokes, Jose Torres, Frank Yoka and Paul Guzman
Absent: Director Paul Guzman and Secretary Diana Tidwell (excused)
Staff Present: Fire Chief Alberto Garcia

GUESTS ATTENDING:

None

AGENDA:

On motion of Vice Chairman Stokes, seconded by Director Yoka, agenda for May 14, 2026, meeting approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

None

COMMUNICATION RECEIVED:

None

READING OF THE MINUTES:

On motion of Vice Chairman Stokes, seconded by Director Yoka, minutes for the regular meeting on April 9, 2026 approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT & BILL LOG:

On motion of Vice Chairman Stokes, seconded by Director Yoka, financials and bill logs for April 2026 in the amount of \$121,884.83 approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE MEETING:

None

FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION REPORT:

A. The Association participated in the fill the boot which was a success.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Proposal for impact fees tabled until next meeting. Continue on closed session.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. On motion of Director Yoka, seconded by Vice Chairman Stokes, Resolution 26-1 2026 Election Consolidation Resolution approved. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. On motion of Director Yoka, seconded by Director Torres, approve payment to Dmitro Home Repair & Restoration for \$1700 for station repairs. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

CHIEFS REPORT:

- A. Chief Garcia reviewed the Alarm and Fire Prevention Reports, and each board member received a copy. Alarm reports show 26 calls for the month of April 2026, for a total of 81 calls on the year, a decrease of 65 calls from last year.
- B. The district received the air bags portion of the OTS grant and training is being prepared for the equipment received.

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- C. One new intern has started and training is going well. Two other interns backed out and chief Garcia sent certified letter for return of the uniforms that were purchased by the district. The uniforms have since been received.
- D. Supplies will be needed to address some dry rot in the back of the station and by the apparatus bay door frame. The AC is currently out of service and a tech is scheduled for Friday the 15th.
- E. Department training and the monthly North County training continue as scheduled with a wildland live training scheduled for the end of the month. If weather permits all crews will be rotation through the training.
- F. Firefighters participated in Career Day at New Hope Elementary school which was a huge success. They plan to make the event larger next year.
- G. Weed abatement notices are going out. Chief Garcia waited until the rain passed to begin addressing parcels.
- H. There is nothing to report on Engine 17-1, 17-2, and Chief 17-1. Parts have been ordered for the Thermostat, power steering hose, coolant hose, and AC system on Engine 17-1. Water Tender 17-1 is in service.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

None

CLOSED SESSION:

None

ADJOURN MEETING:

On motion of Vice Chairman Stokes, seconded by Director Yoka, the Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

DIANA TIDWELL