

# Meridian Rural Fire Protection District

## Meeting Minutes – June 8, 2026

### Call to Order

The Meridian Rural Fire Protection District monthly meeting for June 8, 2026 was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Commissioner Ward. Roll call was taken.

### Roll Call

Attendees: Commissioner Marv Ward, Commissioner Derrick Shannon, Commissioner Randy Howell, Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald, Deputy Chief Charlie Butterfield, MFD Chief Kris Blume was not in attendance.

### Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Shannon to approve the meeting agenda. The agenda was approved.

### Approval of Previous Minutes

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Shannon to approve the May 11, 2026 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved.

### Treasurer's Report

| Check # | Vendor                            | Amount     | Description                     | Comments                   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 5617    | Fire Code Consultants Northwest   | \$91.25    | Fire Plan Review Fees           | Invoice # MRFPD_MAY_2026   |
| 5618    | Hahn Certified Public Accountants | \$600      | Accounting and Payroll Services | Invoice #12436             |
| 5619    | John O. Fitzgerald                | \$1,075.10 | Legal Services                  | Invoice #2026-06           |
| 5620    | MRFPD                             | \$5,000    | Contingency Fund                | Fund New ICCU Bank Account |

- Total of \$6,766.35 in checks paid this month.
- LGIP Balance: \$5,822,758.16
- US Bank Balance: \$104,357.69

- Current net cash position is currently: \$5,927,115.85
- US Bank Statement- April 2026 statement received and reconciled.
- LGIP Statement- May 2026 statement received and reconciled.
- \$5,000 Check to fund new ICCU MRFPD Business Banking Accounts
- Commissioner Howell preparing FY 27 Budget
- Watertower lots sterilant is working. No weed issues noted.

## Old Business

- Updated Joint Powers Agreement and discussion- John O. Fitzgerald. No Updates as meeting June 8, 2026 with Meridian City Attorney Bill Nary was rescheduled for a later date. MRFPD Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald will provide status update next meeting.
- No old business

## New Business

- MFD Department Updates from MFD Deputy Chief Butterfield:
  - Eleven (11) vacancies to fill for next MFD Fire Academy. This next month the department will conduct 35 in-person interviews to fill September Fire Academy slots.
  - MFD contract negotiations with line staff underway. City is hiring an individual named Mike Snyder to represent the City of Meridian in the current contract negotiations. Also as part of the negotiations will be Meridian City Legal, Meridian City Human Resources, and representatives from Meridian Fire Department. Current city contract with Fire Union is three years.
  - Station 3 \$2M remodel in process with final plans.
  - Tony Chance MFD Retirement upcoming as well as four (4) staff on the current promotion list.
  - Deputy Chief Butterfield and his wife are expecting a child by the end of June and he will be working a partial schedule while on family leave and likely not able to attend the next several monthly meetings. Congratulations from the entire MRFPD Commissioners and Legal Counsel offered.
  - Commissioner Ward received word that the Eagle Fire Department is building a new fire station on Eagle Road North of Chinden.

- Commissioner Howell provided update for potential deannexation request from Eagle on property north of Chinden that falls in both Eagle and Meridian Rural Fire Protection district boundaries. MRFPD Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald will send statutory provisions for deannexation with Wyatt Williams. The process is with Eagle at this point as their department will need to file a petition. Once completed, the business would be set before the MRFPD Commission to approve or not approve.
- Commissioner Howell provided updated from a posting he saw regarding that the Kuna and Nampa Fire Districts have a proposed merger to form one fire district. Deputy Chief Butterfield offered that those discussions are ongoing and the merger makes sense but nothing has been approved at this point. There is no affect on the Meridian Fire Department.
- No New Business.

## **Adjournment**

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Shannon to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m.