

Meridian Rural Fire Protection District

33 E. Broadway, Suite 210 - Meridian, Idaho 83642

Meeting Minutes – April 20, 2025

Call to Order:

The Meridian Rural Fire Protection District monthly meeting for April 10, 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, MRFPD Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald. Deputy Chief Steven Taulbee joined meeting at 4:15pm

Commissioner Howell not in attendance.

Approval of Agenda for the April 20, 2026 MRFPD Monthly Meeting:

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

Approval of the Minutes for the March 10, 2025 MRFPD Monthly Meeting: Motion made by Commissioner Ward to approve meeting minutes, Commissioner Shannon seconded. Meeting minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report- Provided by Commissioner Howell, presented by Commissioner Shannon

- Approve and pay bills as follows:
 - Check #5609, City of Meridian, \$144,142.70 February 2026 A,B,C Budgets, Invoice #3206
 - Check #5610, John O. Fitzgerald, \$4,939.10 MRFPD General Legal Services, Invoice #2026-04
 - Total of \$149,081.80 checks paid out this month

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- Motion made by Commissioner Shannon to accept and pay stated bills. Commissioner Ward seconded. Motion passed.
- LGIP \$5,958,785.30 balance
- US Bank \$13,466.93 balance
- Current net cash position is currently \$5,972,252.23
- US Bank Statement- February and March 2026 statements received and reconciled.
- LGIP Statement- February and March 2026 statement received and reconciled.

Old Business:

- Updated Joint Powers Agreement and discussion- John O. Fitzgerald.
 - MRFPD Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald provided updated language for the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) between the City of Meridian and the MRFPD. Mr. Fitzgerald reviewed the substantive changes to the document language. Mr. Fitzgerald reviewed each section then highlighted section 8.
 - Section 8 calls for contacted services fees for administrative services by the City of Meridian in support of the needs of the MRFPD constituents. This fee is in addition to the monthly Fire and Life Protection Services the MFD already provides the MRFPD.
 - Fee amounts not yet determined or agreed upon. Fees could include plan reviews, posting of MRFPD meeting notices, agenda, meeting agenda's, retention of MRFPD documents, maintaining MRFPD assets utilized in the maintenance. Final inclusions list not yet finalized.
 - MRFPD Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald to submit draft update of JPA to Meridian City Attorney Bill Nary for review. Mr. Fitzgerald will provide update at next MRFPD monthly meeting May 11, 2026.

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- Watertower property weed abatement treatment working. Commissioner Shannon completed a drive by inspection of property. With recent rains, a new round of sterilants may be needed.
- No old business

New Business:

- MFD Department Updates from MFD Deputy Chief Taulbee:
 - MFD is moving to bring plan review process in house this year and no longer utilize the services of Fire Code Consultants Northwest. This process is also part of the updated JPA language in section 8 presented by MRFPD John O. Fitzgerald.
 - Deputy Chief Taulbee indicated the move is meant to provide better continuity and control for plan review services with the aim of providing better services for constituents. No exact start date provided though it is projected for an August 2026 launch. The MFD will provide an update with additional content at the MRFPD Monthly meeting May 11, 2026.
 - John O. Fitzgerald provided Certificate of Certificates for Commissioner Marvin Ward and Commissioner Derrick Shannon that were signed and notoraised for the term of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029.
- No New Business.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Shannon to adjourn the April 20, 2026 meeting of the Meridian Rural Fire Protection District. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 4:42PM MT.