

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE CONGRESS FIRE DISTRICT
HELD March 19, 2026

A public meeting of the Congress Fire District was convened at 1:00 p.m. on March 19, 2026, at the Congress Fire District Office. The following matters were discussed, considered and decided at the meeting:

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: The following members of the Board of Congress Fire District were present at the meeting: Brandi Bridges, Chair of the Board, Reggie MacDonald, Clerk of the Board, and Jane Summers, Donald Wessel and George Wickholm members. Also present were Fire Chief Bryan Smith and Secretary/Treasurer Kaitlyn Brinkley.
3. Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of February 19, 2026, were reviewed. Reggie made a motion to approve the minutes and Don seconded the motion. All in favor; minutes are approved.
4. Approval of Financial Reports: Financial reports for the month of February 2026 consisting of Balance Sheet, Cash Flow (Budget vs. Actual), Transaction list, County Treasurer Monthly Warrant Statement with Reconciliation, and County Treasurer Monthly Capital Reserve Statement with Reconciliation were reviewed. Motion was made by George to approve the financial reports for the month of February 2026; Reggie seconded; all in favor; financial reports are approved.
5. Correspondence: None.
6. Fire Chiefs Report: There were 30 calls for service last month; response times are still within the national response limit. Yarnell Fire will be coming into the dispatch system at the end of the month, and it will trigger a mutual/automatic aid with Congress Fire. The Engineer academy is now completed, 1 gentleman from Congress Fire was in the class - promotions will be offered soon. The badge pinning ceremony was in February, and we hope to hold another in October. The annual UTV refresher and wildland refreshers have been completed along with pack tests. The Paramedic class will be completed by the end of April. The class has now begun its vehicular training ride-along. I would also like to ask if you, as a board, have any five-year plans for the district you would like to mention?
7. Old Business:
 - a. Discussion/update on retirement plans: We received an email response from ASRS regarding the steps we need to take to begin the process of offering retirement with them.
8. New Business:

- a. Approval of the transfer of funds from the Capital reserve to the General Fund: Reggie made a motion to approve the transfer of \$50,000 from the Capital reserve to the General Fund to cover the purchase of the Water Tender. Second, by Jane. All in Favor.

9. No Executive Session required.

10. Call to the Public: None.

11. Adjournment: Next regular meeting: Thursday, April 16, 2026. George made a motion to adjourn the meeting: seconded by Don; all in favor, meeting is adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

Congress Fire District Governing Board

Secretary _____

Approved: _____