



**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**AGENDA**  
**FLORISSANT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**Thursday July 2, 2026**  
**9:30 AM – Special Board Meeting**  
**Virtual Meeting Only - ZOOM**  
**Topic: Special Session 7-2-2026**

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1. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order by: Jim McGovern at 9:33am (virtual-Zoom).
- Pledge of Allegiance – Completed.
- Roll Call - All Present: Jim McGovern, Paul del Toro, LeAnne Spicer, Mark Harter, Rich Krochta.

2. New Business

- Discussion and vote to authorize 2 additional seasonal firefighter positions.  
There is a need for 2 additional seasonal wildfire personnel to support increasing wildfire deployments, and to ensure staffing for in-district coverage. Chief Buchan summarized the need for increased wildland firefighters to support in-district coverage, balanced with deployment requests. The cost for this additional coverage is \$28,000; the coverage period is July 6-October 31, 2026. Reimbursements from the state are expected to offset the cost of the additional staff. The current 2026 FFPD budget accounts for 4 seasonal wildland firefighters (2 of which are already staffed); the additional 2x Type 2 firefighters is within budget constraints, and if it exceeds can be justified for a supplemental budget need. When not deployed, the wildland firefighters support FFPD mitigation projects. Wildland firefighter crew deployments are being limited to Colorado locations to allow for rapid return to FFPD if required. The Board discussed the immediate and increasing need for wildland firefighters, and concurs with the request. Motion by Rich Krochta authorizing 2 additional wildland firefighter positions; second by Paul del Toro; Board approved 5-0 vote.

- Discussion and vote to authorize fire engine purchase. FFPD needs to immediately purchase a Type 3 fire engine to replace the Type 3 burned beyond repair last week enroute from California. Insurance has confirmed the Type 3 loss reimbursement amount of \$397,500. A Type 3 fire engine is for rural emergency response and deployments. There is a nation-wide shortage of Type-3 engines. Chief Buchan presented 2 options for the Board to consider:

1. Brand new Type 3 fire engine. HME S/N 24371 Type 3 Model-346 USFS, 3-year bumper-to-bumper warranty, Freightliner M2-106, Pump model HSP 250, Rear mount pump, 250 GPM, 600 Gal water tank, FoamPro 2001 (25 gal tank). Cost is \$436,700.00. Excludes fees and shipping. FFPD would need to fund \$39,200 from budget reserves in addition to the insurance payment to cover this vehicle purchase.
2. Used Type 3 fire engine, available immediately, and leaves funding for other capital needs of the district (that would be a separate meeting topic). 2004 International 7400 Type 2 Fire Pumper, DT 530 8.7L Diesel Engine, Allison MD3070\_PD Auto Transmission, low mileage (54,428 miles), A/C, 35K GVW, Crew Cab - Seats 5 (Driver, Passenger & Rear Bench), Retarder, Pump & Roll, Diff Lock, 4x2, Rosenbauer Type 2 Body, Very Clean, Ex-Gov't. Location is California. Unit has full DOT Inspection and Pump Certifications, fully maintained, good shape. Price: \$119,500 (not including shipping), includes 6 Month bumper-to-bumper warranty (drivetrain, engine, transmission, pump, not electrical). This option is fully covered by the insurance payment, and also provides remaining insurance reimbursement funds for additional capital purchases as opportunity arises.

The Board discussed the options. Preference is for Option 2, to purchase a good used quality Type 3 fire engine as quickly as possible to support current deployment requests and home-station support. Option 2 is a short-term fix that doesn't require supplemental funding from FFPD reserves, and provides remaining insurance funds for additional capital needs. Motion by Mark Harter authorizing Chief Buchan to acquire the used Type 3 fire engine for \$119,500 with 6 month warranty and pick-up by Chief Buchan; second by Paul del Toro; Board vote approved 5-0.

3. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 10:12am by Mark Harter, second by Rich Krochta; Board approved vote 5-0.