MINUTES

for

August 12, 2026

The Regular Glacier View Fire Protection District (GVFPD) Board meeting was called to order by President Lamb at 7:00 pm.

Board of Directors Members present: President Berton Lee Lamb, Vice President Steve Groeteke, Treasurer David Thompson, Director Henry Hudson, Director Daniel Laabs.

Fire Department Members present: Amari Victoria - Secretary, Jim Perry - Assistant Fire Chief, Tom Hausfeld - Community Wildfire Protection Plan Implementation Team (CWPP IT) Coordinator, Fred DeLano - GVFPD Budget Committee Chair, Elisabeth Menning - CWPP IT Information/Education Officer.

Public Member present: Les Thurman, Dave Burk, Rick Cranston.

Action Director Hudson moved to accept August 12, 2026, GVFPD Board of Directors meeting Agenda as presented. Vice President Groeteke seconded the motion.

President Lamb commented that if updates for the items listed under Unfinished Business were included in the Chief's Report, that no actions would be required for them.

Motion carried 5-0.

Swearing-In of New Members

President Lamb asked Coordinator Hausfeld to administer the Oath of Office to Rick Cranston. Coordinator Hausfeld asked Rick to stand in view of the Board of Directors and meeting attendees, to be officially sworn in as a Glacier View Fire Protection District Community Mitigation Volunteer (CMV) as well as an Ambassador. Coordinator Hausfeld administered the oath to complete the swearing in. All attendees of the GVFPD Board of Directors meeting expressed congratulations to the new member.

Secretary's Report

The minutes of July 8, 2026, GVFPD Board of Directors meeting are included in August 12, 2026, Board Packet.

Secretary Victoria had no additional information to report.

President Lamb called for corrections to the July 8, 2026, meeting minutes, which resulted in the following:

Corrections to July 8, 2026, Board of Directors meeting minutes include:

- Rewording of 'Additional information not included in the Chief's Report:' to 'Additional information reported orally, not contained in the written Chief's Report included in the Board Packet:'. This correction is to be made for any Report where this appears, i.e., Chief's Report, Administrative Officer's Report, CWPP IT Report, Budget Committee Report, etc.
- The GVFPD website page views page added to the Minutes as an 'Addendum' should be labeled Addendum to the Minutes.

Action Vice President Groeteke moved to approve the Minutes for July 8, 2026, GVFPD Board of Directors meeting, as amended. Director Hudson seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Treasurer's Report

A detailed Treasurer's Report is included in August 12, 2026, Board Packet.

Director Laabs, who has been training with Treasurer Thompson, and taking on more Treasurer responsibilities, indicated that he would be reviewing the August 12, 2026, Treasurer's Report.

Director Laabs reviewed the written Treasurer's Report, beginning with the Balance Sheet, mentioning that he had no items to call out, but encouraged questions if there were any.

Next, Director Laabs reviewed the Monthly Profit & Loss (P & L) sheets, mentioning that the Money Market accounts were earning 3.26% interest, calculated from account 440 Interest Income. He then called attention to account 665 Apparatus Purchase representing the expense for the tractor for CWPP IT including the winch cost, 719 CWPPIT Reimbursement, which is a new account (with no budget) to track CWPP IT reimbursement costs separately from Emergency Medical Services (EMS) reimbursement costs.

Director Laabs then moved onto the Annual P & L sheets, calling out account 420 Donations, represented by donations collected at the Easter and Firewise events, 504 Dues & Subscriptions, representing the ESO Online (communications system) cost, account 513 Telephone & Internet Expense amount for two (2) Starlink Mini's for use in two emergency vehicles, account 531 Facilities for repairs, computer supplies, signs, account 607 Personal Protective Equipment expense for fire helmets and safety vests, account 660 Vehicles indicating the overall costs for maintenance, repair and fuel for all GVFPD vehicles. Treasurer Thompson interrupted to further explain the way account 660 is treated as a single cost, as the per vehicle costs cannot be estimated beforehand. Director Laabs continued with account 665 Apparatus Purchase which includes the Type 7 apparatus and trailer purchase, the CWPP IT tractor and winch, annual truck payments. This category's costs include budgeted, unbudgeted, and capital expenses. Also called out was account 714 Grant Match, who's budgeted funds were reallocated to the purchase of the CWPP IT tractor, finally, account 719 CWPPIT Reimbursement, a new category already discussed during the Monthly P & L reporting.

Following this, Director Laabs discussed the checks written for greater than $1,000. Included were payment to Witmer Public Safety Group for line nozzles, and payment to First Bank for VISA debit card charges, the largest of which was for the winch for the CWPP IT tractor ($2,299).

Treasurer Thompson brought attention to the fourth and fifth lines under Transfers to/from Money Market on the Annual P & L sheets, which represent the transfers from the Reserve account to obtain the $31,000 for the CWPP IT tractor purchase.

Action Director Hudson moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Director Laabs seconded the motion.

Treasurer Thompson reported on his interactions with PNC Bank (formerly 1st Bank), remarking that he is not at all satisfied with the service or treatment that he has been receiving from them. He feels that though he's not at that point yet, that perhaps all GVFPD's banking may be with US Bank. Though smaller, US Bank has been very responsive to GVFPD's needs. Business was originally done with 1st Bank because they were local and established. Funds were split between 1st Bank and US Bank when GVFPD had a significant amount of funds, and at the time, 1st Bank paid very little in interest.

Motion carried 5-0.

Chief's Report

Chief Knox's detailed report is included in August 12, 2026, Board Packet.

President Lamb asked Assistant Chief Perry to review Chief Knox's report by starting with the Administrative Officer's (AO's) Report but continued by pointing out the updated GVFPD website page views contained in the Report, as well as Secretary Victoria's updated graph page (presented to President Lamb before the Board meeting start).

President Lamb then reminded those present that a few months ago, the Chief had presented plans for GVFD to acquire a Type 6 engine. The motion concerning acquisition of a Type 6 engine had been tabled (and is still tabled as of this meeting), however, President Lamb requested a short recess so that Assistant Chief Perry might show us the equipment being sold to help fund a Type 6 engine and describe what would be done to obtain it.

Vice President Groeteke asked for clarification on the GVFPD website page views updated graph page treatment. As it is generated monthly by the Secretary, it will be included as an Addendum to the Meeting Minutes going forward.

Action President Lamb moved to take a short recess from 7:39 PM to 7:51 PM for this purpose. Motion passed 5-0.

The Assistant Chief suggested that he could review the Operations Report for August 12, 2026, included in the Board Packet, or that the Board could ask questions about the items in the Chief's Report, and he would answer as best he could. The latter option was selected.

Information reported orally by Assistant Chief Perry, not contained in the written Chief's Report included in the Board Packet:

- Legal's work on the North Rim properties acceptance into GVFPD should be completed sometime early September. Acceptance into GVFPD could be accomplished by Resolution at the September Board meeting. Property tax income to GVFPD should increase (four properties), while call volume to that area is low, and cause little to no fiscal impact to GVFPD.
- Fire restrictions remain at Stage 2. A wildland fire of about 0.75 acres was responded to by GVFD within Glacier View Meadows Homeowners' Association (GVM HOA) due to a lightning strike. GVM HOA and GVFD responded to the fire. GVFD sent engines 501, 502 and Tender in response to the fire.

Vice President Groeteke pointed out the question posed in the Chief's Report item concerning the Exemption from Audit Acceptance letter included with the Chief's Report from the Local Government Audit Manager Crystal L. Dorsey, inquiring whether said letter should be sent to the GVFPD Accountant.

Action Vice President Groeteke moved to transfer the Exemption from Audit Acceptance letter contained within the Chief's Report to the GVFPD Accountant. Director Laabs seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Additional information reported orally by Assistant Chief Perry, not contained in the written Chief's Report included in the Board Packet:

- Replacement of the structure helmets was explained, citing regulatory compliance. Structure helmet expiration is at ten (10) years, resulting in the purchase of fifteen (15) new helmets. Six (6) have been put into service so far. Replaced helmets are sometimes taken by firefighters, used for training or given to an organization that sends them to Mexico. It is unknown whether GVFD will pursue this last option, as the quantity is small. Per the manufacturer, the expired helmets are considered worthless.

Action Director Laabs moved to accept the Chief's Report as presented. Director Hudson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CWPP IT Report

A detailed CWPP IT Report is included in August 12, 2026, Board Packet.

CWPP IT Coordinator Tom Hausfeld reviewed the written report included in August 12, 2026, Board Packet.

Additional information reported orally by Coordinator Hausfeld, not contained in the written CWPP IT Report included in the Board Packet:

- The CWPP IT mitigation assessment team was challenged to complete ten (10) assessments per month. The team responded by performing thirteen (13) in the last month, a record! In the first seven (7) months of this year (2026), as many assessments have been completed as during the entire last year (2025).
- The Red Feather Lakes Area Community Wildfire Defense Grant (RFLACWDG) money spent includes work on fire breaks, Home Ignition Zone Mitigation Assistance Program (HIZ MAP), evacuation drill October 3, 2026, hosted at the Livermore Community Hall, and slash removal (also called bio-mass). $265,000 has been spent within GVFPD, $321,000 has been spent on overhead supporting all four (4) Districts encompassed by the grant, and the remaining money ($1,452,000 - $265,000 - $321,000) represents that spent by the remaining three (3) Districts – Crystal Lakes, Poudre Canyon and Cherokee Meadows.
- Coordinator Hausfeld provided a printed version of a presentation and a tri-fold brochure regarding the Roadside Slash Pick-Up program. He mentioned that Brad Maggetti from the Larimer County Office of Environmental Management (LC OEM) wanted to present the program at the Board meeting via phone call, with the Board's permission. Coordinator Hausfeld then called Brad Maggetti, placing his phone in speakerphone mode, so that Brad could make the Roadside Slash Pick-Up program presentation. Brad Maggetti thanked the Board and CWPP IT Information/Education Officer Menning, who's been speaking with Brad and informed him of the upcoming Board meeting. Brad then gave his presentation speech, referring to the printed of the presentation.
    - It is a pilot program.
    - Fifty (50) properties will be serviced for roadside slash pick-up.

- One to five (1-5) piles of slash of dimensions 5’ wide by 5’ deep by 5’ high would be registered for pick-up for each property.
- The model for this program is based on a program operating in Colorado Springs.
- Currently Colorado Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) funds this program but will likely not be funded continuously by CWDG money.
- Registration fills up quickly.
- Contractors will be employed to perform the slash pile pick-up, and the slash will be chipped on-site and hauled away. This is expected to occur during May 2027 and is expected to be completed in a week’s time.
- A post-program summary will be generated to report on the success of the program.
- Slash of up to 12” in diameter of all/only natural material is allowed. No garbage, mattresses, lumber, etc.
- A presentation by Brad Maggetti on August 24, 2026, at 6:30pm at the GVFPD Station #1 meeting room (2nd floor) is open to the public to learn more about the Roadside Slash Pick-Up program.

Comments about the program/presentation included happiness about this being done as the GVM slash pile has grown quite large, that this program removes the cost of removal of slash from a property, placing the burden on the property owner to get the slash to the piles, and creates incentive for property owners to perform mitigation now, rather than perhaps putting it off, and that this program potentially provides those who mitigate but have no way to move slash to the slash pile, a way to have their slash removed.

One additional item reported orally by Coordinator Hausfeld, not contained in the written CWPP IT Report included in the Board Packet:

- Coordinator Hausfeld presented a letter to the Board, which he would like to send to the following officials:
  - United State Senators
    - Michael Bennet
    - John Hickenlooper
  - United State Congressman
    - Joe Neguse
  - Colorado State Representatives
    - Lesley Smith
    - Janice Marchman
  - Larimer County Commissioners
    - Jody Shadduck-McNally
    - Kristin Stephens
    - John Kefalas

The letter in included as an Addendum to the CWPP IT Report contained within these minutes.

It is a letter of thanks for the ACB and crew being made available for our use during 2024, 2025 and 2026, and to request the expansion of this program (Letter of Thanks).

The Department of Fire Prevention and Control (DFPC) owns the Air Curtain Burner (ACB) and supplies the workforce to operate it.

Action Vice President Groeteke moved to approved signing and distribution of the Letter of Thanks as presented to the following recipients: United State Senators Michael Bennet and John Hickenlooper, United State Congressman Joe Neguse, Colorado State Representatives Lesley Smith and Janice Marchman and Larimer County Commissioners Jody Shadduck-McNally, Kristin Stephens and John Kefalas. Director Hudson seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Action Director Laabs moved to accept the CWPP IT Report as presented. Vice President Groeteke seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Committee Reports
Budget Committee

A detailed written Budget Committee Report is included in August 12, 2026, Board Packet.

Budget Committee Chair Fre DeLano expressed appreciation to the Budget Committee - Chief Knox, AO Lucas, Director Hudson, Tom Hausfeld and Director Laabs (substituting for Treasurer Thompson) for their attendance at the Budget Committee meeting.

Budget Committee Chair, Fred DeLano reviewed the written Budget Committee Report and Budget Worksheet included in August 12, 2026, Board Packet.

Chair De Lano reported orally the following key points concerning the 2027 GVFPD budget:

- The 2027 GVFPD budget is a work-in-progress. Two or three more Budget Committee meetings will be held before a budget is ready to present to the Board.
- The 2027 Budget amount is expected to remain level. After August 25, 2026, GVFPD will know for certain when the official evaluations are received from Larimer County Property Tax Division.

Chair De Lano then reviewed the proposed 2026 Budget Calendar for the 2027 Budget (included in Board Packet) and asked the Board whether a Budget Workshop would be required prior to September 9, 2026, Board meeting.

Board members presented questions and possibilities concerning the AirMed coverage, which were answered by other Board members, Chair DeLano, Assistant Chief Perry, and Coordinator Hausfeld. The Reserve accounts were also discussed, based on the possibility of reduced property evaluations in the future.

Action President Lamb moved to accept the Budget Committee Report and to adopt the proposed Budget Schedule as presented, including a Budget Workshop and a Budget Hearing (Public Notice of Budget). Vice President Groeteke seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Unfinished Business
By Laws and Handbooks (Attorney Suggestions)

This item is carried forward.

University of Denver (DU) Agreement for Vehicle Storage

This item is carried forward.

New Business
Exemption from Audit Letter

This item was dealt with in Chief's Report section of meeting.

Public Comments

These comments are paraphrased.

- Les Thurman, speaking as a GVFPD member and GVM resident, mentioned that he had encountered CMVs at GVM Gate 5 and later touched base with Director Hudson to thank him for the work being done there.
- Dave Burk, a GVFPD member and GVM resident, commented that things seemed to be going well, and attributed that to good leadership on the (department) Operations side and good leadership on the Board. Dave expressed appreciation for that to Coordinator Hausfeld as well as his (Coordinator Hausfeld's) ability to get ahead of the high demand for assessments, and his good communication (to the community) about the backlog of assessments. Dave commented on the good performance of the tractor in mitigation efforts, and expressed happiness that things are going along well.
- Elisabeth Menning, speaking as a member of the CWDG Outreach Subcommittee, provided details concerning the upcoming gathering to be held on August 24, 2026, in the Station #1 meeting room (2nd floor). Fred Maggetti will present the Roadside Slash Pick-Up program to residents. Registration for the Roadside Slash Pick-Up program will begin August 25, 2026.

Directors Comments:

These comments are paraphrased.

President Lamb

President Lamb expressed appreciation for the EMS volunteers, commenting that they are put in harms way, even for something like directing traffic, and the more support we can give them, the better off we are. President Lamb found the fact striking that the average service time for a volunteer in emergency services is three (3) years. He also commented that the presentation by Coordinator Hausfeld highlights the importance of the CWPP IT group. President Lamb then complimented Secretary Victoria's work in the Board meeting minutes composition.

Director Laabs

Director Laabs articulated how impressed he was with the EMS member response he witnessed at the station when a fire call came in and expressed his appreciation for the organization and efficiency with which they worked.

Director Hudson

Director Hudson expressed appreciation for the EMS volunteers, responding at all hours of day and night, and reiterated that if it weren't for the volunteers, we'd not get anything done. He expressed his happiness at the inclusion of AirMed subscriptions for the EMS personnel in the budget, acknowledging that it is a good thing. Director Hudson expressed appreciation for everything that everyone does.

Treasurer Thompson

Treasurer Thompson expressed his appreciation for the volunteerism of the community to be able to support the fire department, especially the emergency responders, the Operations folks but also the CWPP IT group and even the Board members. If any group

of people were to be removed, it would cause trouble. He further commented that he believes that what GVFPD has is a good process.

Vice President Groeteke

Vice President Groeteke expressed thanks for both the mitigation volunteers and the emergency responder volunteers. He continued, revealing that on the day of the last GVFPD Board meeting he had reason to call 911, and that he found the choreography of the response amazing. As the 911 agent gave instructions to prepare for the emergency responders arrival, she introduced herself as Angel, which he found very comforting and reassuring. GVFD responders were the first to arrive, and Vice President Groeteke is proud of them, and found that the helicopter crew were amazing. Vice President Groeteke expressed his interest in being able to provide a special thanks to the responders.

Action Treasurer Thompson moved to adjourn the regular meeting of the GVFPD Board. Director Hudson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

President Lamb declared the meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amari Victoria, Secretary

Board Action Summary

- Approved transfer of the Exemption from Audit Acceptance letter to the GVFPD Accountant.
- Approved signing and distribution of the Letter of Thanks to the following recipients: United State Senators Michael Bennet and John Hickenlooper, United State Congressman Joe Neguse, Colorado State Representatives Lesley Smith and Janice Marchman and Larimer County Commissioners Jody Shadduck-McNally, Kristin Stephens and John Kefalas.
- Accepted the Budget Committee Report and adopted the proposed Budget Schedule as presented, including a Budget Workshop and a Budget Hearing (Public Notice of Budget).

Acronyms

4WD – Four-Wheel Drive
ACB – Air Curtain Burner
ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act
AO – Administrative Officer
CMV – Community Mitigation Volunteers
CORA – Colorado Open Records Act
CPRW – Coalition for the Poudre River Watershed
CR – County Road
CWDG – Community Wildfire Defense Grant
CWPP IT – Community Wildfire Protection Plan Implementation Team
DFPC – Department of Fire Prevention and Control
DLG – Department of Local Government
DU – University of Denver
EMS – Emergency Medical Services
EMT – Emergency Medical Technician
FD – Fire Department
FF – Fire Fighter
GVFD – Glacier View Fire Department
GVFPD – Glacier View Fire Protection District (also referred to as the ‘District’)
GVM – Glacier View Meadows
HIZ – Home Ignition Zone
HOA – Homeowners Association
LC – Larimer County
LFPD – Livermore Fire Protection District
LZ – Landing Zone
MAP – Mitigation Assistance Program
MVA – Motor Vehicle Accident
OEM – Office of Environmental Management
P & L – Profit & Loss
R & M (also R&M) – Repair and Maintenance
RFLACWDG – Red Feather Lakes Area Community Wildfire Defense Grant
UTV – Utility Task Vehicle

NEXT BOARD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026