



## Board Meeting Agenda

Meeting Title: Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date: November 13, 2025

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: 168 N Mesa Street; Fruita, CO 81521

### Agenda:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Citizen Comments/Requests  
This section is set aside for the Board of Directors to listen to comments by the public regarding items that do not otherwise appear on the agenda. Generally, the Board of Directors will not discuss the issue and will not take official action under this section of the agenda. Please limit comments to a five-minute period.
4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest
5. Approval of:
  - Regular Board minutes from 10/09/2025
  - Bills
  - Financial Report
  - Resolution 11/13/2025 – October 2025 Write Off's
6. Reports/Updates
  - Administrative
  - Chief(s)
  - Officer(s)
  - Union #5265
7. New Business
  - Adoption of revised Employee Handbook
8. Old Business
  - Future Funding Initiatives
    - Sales Tax Initiative
      - Dan Caris, MOU
      - Timeline & Special Meeting Needed
  - Loma Hall
    - Public Meeting- No Citizens Attended
    - Starting on quotes for mitigation/ demo
9. Adjourned

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## **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The regular board meeting of the Board of Directors with the Lower Valley Fire Protection District is called to order by Board President Cullen Purser. Advance public notice of this meeting is posted in three separate public spaces, and online at [www.lowervalleyfire.com](http://www.lowervalleyfire.com). In attendance are the following board directors: Cullen Purser, Mark Bonella, Cliff Gray, Jesse Mease, and Jeff Phillips. Others in attendance: Fire Chief Matt Katzenberger, Deputy Fire Chief Gary Mulkey, Diana Manzanares, Mahea Rodriguez, Fire Marshal Travis Holder, Captain Anthony Padilla, Cooper Lovern, Tim Struble, and community member Bette Burnett.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Travis Holder** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **CITIZENS COMMENTS/REQUESTS**

None.

## **DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None.

## **APPROVAL OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Mark Bonella** motioned to accept the regular board meeting minutes from 07/10/2025; seconded by **Cliff Gray**. The **motion** passed with three votes from the attending board members on 07/10/2025.

**Jeff Phillips** motioned to accept the regular board meeting minutes from 09/18/2025; seconded by **Cliff Gray**. The **motion** passed with four votes from the attending board members on 09/18/2025.

## **APPROVAL OF EXPENSES**

**Diana** rendered the information reporting the expenses from September 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025, totaled \$98,591.06.

**Jesse Mease** made a **motion** to accept the bills for September 2025; seconded by **Jeff Phillips**. The **motion** passed with five votes.

## **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**Diana** reports that the total balance in our bank accounts, including cash on hand as of September 30, 2025, is \$4,573,878.91. The interest accrued for the month of September 2025 is \$16,273.65. The YTD interest accrued is

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\$139,688.25. The Mesa County Statement of Collections for the month of September totaled \$50,316.43.

**Jesse Mease** made a **motion** to accept the financial statements for September 2025; seconded by **Mark Bonella**. The **motion** passed with five votes.

## **APPROVAL OF AMBULANCE BILLING RESOLUTIONS**

**Mahea** reports that the billing write-offs for September 2025 totaled \$103,455.11. The accounts sent to collections in September 2025 totaled \$10,175.41. An error was made on the agenda printout, which included the collections total into the contractual total. That has since been rectified and accurately recorded.

**Cliff Gray** made a **motion** to approve the resolutions and write-offs for September 2025; seconded by **Mark Bonella**. The **motion** passed with five votes.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Mahea** reports that the ambulance income received in September 2025 totaled \$86,135.55. **Mahea** informs the board that due to the US Government shutdown that occurred on October 1<sup>st</sup>, Medicare has paused all payment processing. We may experience a delay and decrease in our income next month. **Diana** reports that the Grand Valley Bank interest rate held steady at 4.07% throughout the past year. As of October 1, 2025, the rate decreased to 3.75%. Based on recent financial news, there may be additional rate decreases before the end of year.

## **FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

**Chief Matt Katzenberger** reports on grant updates. The EMS Provider Grant for the new ambulance, the ambulance has been ordered. Also, we recently received the COEMS Medicaid reimbursement for \$29,459.03. Next, **Chief Matt Katzenberger** informs the board on apparatus updates. The Type III Engine is in production and currently 17% completed. No new update regarding the Water Tender. In other updates, **Chief Matt Katzenberger** refers to the High School Academy. This endeavor has turned into a positive community and public relation for the district. The school district is concerned about future funding for the program. Considering that, **Chief Matt Katzenberger** will apply for the CO Department of CTE (Career and Technical Education) endorsement. Once that's achieved, LVFD can begin conversations with CO Mesa University about these students obtaining college credits as well. This will greatly benefit the district from a recruitment standpoint. The cost for the endorsement is \$90.00. On a related note, one of the students has been released from the

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program. She did not maintain the minimum standard and was consistently struggling; we currently have 5 students in the academy. Next, **Chief Matt Katzenberger** informs the board that the Scala Family Trust has donated \$18,000 so far this year to the district. Last year their donation was \$21,000 total. The family has indicated that more donations will be coming before the year is over. **Chief Matt Katzenberger** has some ideas and would like the board's approval to earmark the money for special items to benefit the firefighters, as the Scala family desires these funds to go to anything our district sees suitable. First item is a custom table for each station, which would be made custom and local from a company called Timberworks (contact is Darrell Cordova), at cost. The second thing Chief has in mind is new beds for all the bedrooms at both stations; real wood with sturdy frames. Both desires have been requested by the crew numerous times over the years. In addition to the Scala Family donations, we are also under budget of about \$6,800 in the Station renovations. The custom table was quoted between \$3,000 and \$4,000 for two tables. The bed sets would cost about \$8,000 for 8 sets, and that would be for both stations. Chief is asking for an approved motion to spend \$12,000 of the Scala Family donation accordingly.

**Mark Bonella** motioned to use up to \$12,000 of the Scala Family donation to spend on new tables and beds, and if possible, new chairs, for both stations; seconded by **Jeff Phillips**. The **motion** passed with five votes.

**Chief Matt Katzenberger** informs the board that the district will be offering Aflac benefits to begin in 2026. This is an employee elected program with no cost to the district. All employees (including board members) are eligible to participate in the program. There are three enrollment dates where the Aflac representatives will also be in attendance to discuss their different plans and options. Those dates are October 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>, the meetings will start at 11am at Station 31. Lastly, **Chief Matt Katzenberger** updated the board on the 360 surveys with James Rowan and the leadership development process with his company.

## **DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

**Deputy Chief Mulkey** reports that Station 31 updates will begin soon and will include the auxiliary room. Regarding the Strategic Plan update, **Deputy Chief Mulkey** reports that the next workshop is scheduled for 10/21/2025 for our team, and 10/27/25 for the big meeting with the group. We are currently in the Goals and Objectives Phase, and we're on track to have this completed with original plan for a 6-month timeframe. Next, **Deputy Chief Mulkey** reports on training updates. The end of last month and into the beginning of this month were focused on officer development and HazMat. **Dominique Johnson**

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obtained his state certification paramedic license. **Tim Struble** and **Deputy Chief Mulkey** completed the Live Fire Instructor Course, and **Derek Campbell** completed the Fire Officer 1 Course. Regarding call data for September 2025, **Deputy Chief Mulkey** reports a total of 257 calls for service; a 13% increase from this time last year.

## **FIRE MARSHAL REPORT**

**Fire Marshal Travis Holder** reports that he is at the tail end of Fire Prevention Week, reaching a total of 494 children from three of Fruita's elementary schools. Next, **Fire Marshal Travis Holder** informs the board that the grant we used for fire mitigation - BLM Community Assistance Grant - is slowly depleting. Thus, he has decided to merge with the City of Fruita and Two Rivers Wildfire Coalition to gain \$50,000 per year for fire mitigation equipment. He is also seeking grants elsewhere.

## **OFFICERS REPORT**

None.

## **LOCAL 5265 - UNION REPORT**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

2026 Budget Presentation, printed and presented to the board by **Chief Matt Katzenberger**. A copy of the budget will be sent to the Daily Sentinel for public notice and review, as well as our website. There will be modifications made before its final adoption in December. The revisions that need to be made were determined after this initial draft.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Chief Matt Katzenberger** begins with Future Funding Initiatives. The sales tax initiative white paper was sent to the City Manager of Fruita for them to present to the City Council. Next, we will set a date for a town hall meeting regarding the future of the Loma Hall. The agreed date is November 6, 2025, at 17:30, at Loma Hall. **Chief Matt Katzenberger** suggests that we form a Loma Hall Committee to attend public meetings and have those community conversations and then report back to the board. The board members elected and agreed to **Cullen Purser** and **Mark Bonella** to form the Loma Hall Committee. **Chief Matt Katzenberger** will post notice of the meeting on our social media pages; Fruita's and Loma's public buildings, and word-of-mouth.

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## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Board President Cullen Purser** motioned to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing **Chief Matt Katzenberger's** annual evaluation. All board members are in favor.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Cullen Purser** made a **motion** to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting. All in favor with five affirmative votes.

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**Lower Valley Fire Protection District**

Expenses by Vendor Detail

October 01 - October 31, 2025

84 Lumber	58.20	INSIDE TRAINING MATERIAL
A&R Mechanical LLC Diesel Repair	1,361.20	WATER TEMP GAUGE (\$589) & LABOR (\$270) FOR TENDER# 31
Adobe Acrobat	24.98	ADOBE PDF PROGRAM MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION
Amazon	999.31	RECHARGEABLE GAS LEAK DETECTOR; MEDICATION LABEL; EMERGENCY FIRE ESCAPE LADDER; DOCKING STATION FOR LOMA; CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS; TRAINING SMOKE(FOG);; YOFA MAT HOLDER WALL MOUNT; SCREEN PROTECTOR FOR VENTILATOR; SOUND BAR AND NAME PLATE
Balanced Rock Counseling, LLC	700.00	
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	2,243.36	PO# 2025-94 EMS SUPPLIES
Brown Industries	99.05	EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION PINS - QTY OF 11
C & S Landscaping	3,000.00	ZERO- SCAPE PROJECT - DEPOSIT PYMT (\$3,000 OF \$7,895)
CEBT	39,959.32	OCT 2025 HEALTH INSUR COVERAGE - MEDICAL (\$37,691); EAP (\$36) & LVFD LIFE INSUR (\$65.09) & DENTAL (\$1,590); VISION (\$265); SUPP LIFE (\$312.23)
CEGR Law	497.00	08/31 & 09/30/25 STMT - SALES & PROPERTY TAX QUESTIONS
CenturyLink	122.88	LOMA MODEM 10/22 - 11/21/2025 SRVC
City of Fruita	65.07	09/11 - 10/10/2025 SRVC
City Of Grand Junction (1)	8,888.83	OCT 2025 MONTHLY 911 DISPATCH
Column, PBC	72.16	NOTICE OF LVFD 2026 PROPOSED BUDGET IN DAILY SENTINEL
Conoco	40.56	TRAVELING FROM CO SPRINGS - FUEL
Dell	1,246.99	ALL-IN-ONE DELL DESKTOP - REPLACEMENT FOR LOMA COMPUTER (NOT UPGRADABLE TO WINDOWS 11)
Family Health West Hospital	358.28	PO# 2025-96 MEDICAL SUPPLIES
Fruita COOP	2611.21	BLDG MAINT SUPPLIES (\$90.49); ROPE WASHING (\$71.98); SMALL TOOLS: PRESSURE WASHER (\$274.96); VEHICLE FLUIDS (\$159.92); PANTRY PROGRAM (\$16.76); ROTATE TIRES (\$60); WILDLAND GLOVES (\$16.99) & FUEL (\$1,913.12)
Gordon Truck Centers Inc.	171,711.12	CHASSIS FOR NEW WATER TENDER
Grand Valley Bank	30.00	WIRE FEE FOR GORDON TRUCK PYMT(\$20) & WIRE FEE FROM COLOTRUST TO GVB (\$10)
Grand Valley Power	287.70	09/01 - 10/01/2025 SRVCS AT LOMA STATION (\$256.20)LOMA HALL (\$31.50)
GuideFitter, Inc.	227.28	FIRE STRUCTURE BOOTS
Hartman Brothers	188.55	COMPRESSED OXYGEN
Hoffmann's Custom Painting	4,885.00	PAINTING PROJECT - TOTAL CONTRACT \$14,150 (DEPOSIT \$4,380 / REMAINING SPLIT \$4,885 FOR UPSTAIRS & \$4,885 FOR DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM, CLOSETS, HALLWAY & DOORS)
IAAI	288.00	ACTIVE - 3 YR MEMBERSHIP (IAAI - INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ARSON INVESTIGATORS)
IT Jet LLC	1,847.20	OCT 2025 IT SRVCS
McAtlin Electrical Corp	5,462.00	INSTALLING CEILING FANS - STATION 31
Municipal Emergency Services, INC.	1,068.49	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE
Napa Auto Parts	97.53	AIR FILTER & EXACT FIT PASSENGERS SIDE - 2014 RAM
NEXTRAN TRK CTR FRUITA	332.64	UNIT# 3116 2023 RAM & UNIT# 3115 2024 FORD 350 - FRONT ALIGNMENT
Quality Health Network	28.00	SEPTEMBER 2025 MONTHLY BILLING - QHN SUBSCRIPTION FEE
Sam's Club	1,844.63	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES FOR BOTH STATIONS (\$733.24); COFFEE CREAMER; COFFEE; RANCH DRESSING & MAYO (\$77.94); STATION 31 SAMSUNG 65" SMART TV (\$547.99); & 2025 TRUCK N TREAT STREE(\$485.46)
Shannon L. Currier, CPA	964.05	AUG - OCT 2025 CONSULTING & 3RD QTRLY PAYROLL AUDIT
Stryker Sales Corporation	718.77	MAINTENANCE SRVC ON LIFE PACK HEART MONITOR (\$316); NIBP CUFFS (\$76.24); & TUBING (\$71.46)
T-Mobile	604.17	12 iPADS 09/21 - 10/20/2025 SRVC & 6 DIAL PAD LICENSES 12/12 - 10/11/2025
US Postal Service	316.00	2026 - 12 MONTH RENEWAL - BOX# 520
Ute Water Conservancy District	219.81	09/12 - 10/10/2025 SRVC AT FRUITA & LOMA STATIONS
Valvoline Instant Oil Change (VIOC)	99.80	OIL CHANGE
Witmer	3,386.32	2 PAIR OF FIRE STRUCTURE BOOTS (\$547.59 EACH)
Xcel Energy	1,918.19	08/14 - 09/15/2025 SRVCS AT FRUITA STATION
Xerox	258.94	BASE CHRG 09/01 - 09/30/2025 (\$194.84) & TOTAL METER USAGE CHRG 08/21 - 09/30/2025 (\$64.10)
<b>TOTAL FOR OCTOBER 2025 BILLS</b>	<b>259,132.59</b>	

**Monthly Financial Statement  
As of 10/31/2025**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Aug Interest Accrued</b>	<b>Sept Interest Accrued</b>	<b>OCT Interest Accrued</b>
Cash On Hand	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Grand Valley Bank/ LVFD OLD Checking - AcctXX#0539 3.77% rate	\$ -	\$ 31.80	\$ 37.15	\$ 16.83
Grand Valley Bank/ LVFD NEW Checking - AcctXX#8521 3.77% rate	\$ 812,806.73	\$ 2,594.54	\$ 1,747.23	\$ 1,413.47
Colo-Trust General Acct - 4.3199% to 4.2445% rate Avg Monthly Yield	\$ 2,307,518.83	\$ 11,242.70	\$ 10,798.34	\$ 10,653.56
Colo-Trust Infastructure Acct - 4.3199% to 4.2445% rate Avg Monthly Yield	\$ 1,045,191.52	\$ 3,842.82	\$ 3,690.93	\$ 3,760.71
	<b>\$ 4,165,717.08</b>	<b>\$ 17,711.86</b>	<b>\$ 16,273.65</b>	<b>\$ 15,844.57</b>

YTD ON INTEREST: \$ 155,532.82

Last Month's GVB's Interest rate: 4.07% - decreased  
Last Month's ColoTrust's Interest rate: 4.3199% - decreased

**Mesa County Statement of Collections**

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
January	\$ 76,438.89	\$ 34,452.49	\$ 56,552.43	\$ 65,694.03	\$ 146,781.29	\$ 131,337.97	\$ 41,429.56	\$ 138,696.88
February	\$ 352,499.40	\$ 618,215.37	\$ 728,642.38	\$ 426,661.24	\$ 771,818.31	\$ 772,490.45	\$ 864,301.12	\$ 920,485.18
March	\$ 82,400.66	\$ 129,444.87	\$ 172,387.96	\$ 508,093.36	\$ 187,544.10	\$ 186,978.11	\$ 307,285.61	\$ 240,732.06
April	\$ 279,396.29	\$ 461,235.08	\$ 412,732.87	\$ 473,056.17	\$ 466,266.80	\$ 455,465.04	\$ 597,460.26	\$ 695,091.55
May	\$ 187,366.04	\$ 245,400.44	\$ 365,549.20	\$ 263,406.05	\$ 325,532.21	\$ 347,297.85	\$ 737,990.96	\$ 218,535.05
June	\$ 254,300.75	\$ 461,282.41	\$ 434,609.05	\$ 477,413.05	\$ 539,208.34	\$ 540,999.46	\$ 668,360.20	\$ 680,180.08
July	\$ 35,271.33	\$ 55,532.39	\$ 74,408.85	\$ 76,972.63	\$ 58,637.82	\$ 79,664.19	\$ 78,882.05	\$ 73,099.83
August	\$ 31,431.78	\$ 42,211.06	\$ 56,417.57	\$ 42,205.90	\$ 54,246.37	\$ 54,920.05	\$ 50,156.06	\$ 61,568.58
September	\$ 22,331.26	\$ 39,114.35	\$ 40,489.52	\$ 39,396.02	\$ 45,921.23	\$ 40,604.16	\$ 46,306.06	\$ 50,316.43
<b>October</b>	<b>\$ 20,166.51</b>	<b>\$ 32,927.19</b>	<b>\$ 33,148.40</b>	<b>\$ 39,931.69</b>	<b>\$ 38,983.85</b>	<b>\$ 38,183.14</b>	<b>\$ 44,712.96</b>	<b>\$ 57,862.58</b>
November	\$ 28,383.41	\$ 39,858.59	\$ 36,200.84	\$ 42,729.52	\$ 47,592.78	\$ 47,094.05	\$ 57,296.95	
December	\$ 20,561.20	\$ 27,649.10	\$ 36,226.84	\$ 35,710.52	\$ 31,356.36	\$ 31,720.90	\$ 33,409.44	
	<b>\$ 1,390,547.52</b>	<b>\$ 2,187,323.34</b>	<b>\$ 2,447,365.91</b>	<b>\$ 2,491,270.18</b>	<b>\$ 2,713,889.46</b>	<b>\$ 2,726,755.37</b>	<b>\$ 3,527,591.23</b>	<b>\$ 3,136,568.22</b>

\*\* statement of collections not included in GVB balance - will be deposited around the 10th of the month

\* Please note that May 2024 total includes:

\$	371,946.16	May 2024 Statement of Collections
\$	366,044.80	Backfill
<b>\$</b>	<b>737,990.96</b>	

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual  
January through October 2025

	Jan 01 - Oct 31, 2025	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Used of Budget
<b>Income</b>				
40000 · Mesa Co General Tax	2,739,941.18	2,748,769.00	-8,827.82	99.68%
40200 · Mesa Co Delinquent Tax	898.00	1,000.00	-102.00	89.8%
40400 · Mesa Co. Delinquent Tax Int	56.07	100.00	-43.93	56.07%
40600 · Mesa Co Gen Tax Interest	3,924.70	3,000.00	924.70	130.82%
40700 · Public Safety Sales Tax	91,164.89	100,000.00	-8,835.11	91.17%
40750 · Impact Assist/Forest Wild./PILT	1,126.49		1,126.49	100.0%
40975 · Mesa Co Ownership Tax - BCD	188,187.19		188,187.19	100.0%
41000 · Mesa Co Ownership Tax	96,170.25	300,000.00	-203,829.75	32.06%
41500 · Senior/Veterans Exemption	71,224.59	65,000.00	6,224.59	109.58%
41550 · Personal Property <50K Tax Exem	0.00		0.00	0.0%
41600 · Grant Funds Received	52,084.23	209,715.00	-157,630.77	24.84%
42000 · Interest ColoTrust	135,999.62	100,000.00	35,999.62	136.0%
42200 · Interest Grand Valley Bank	19,516.37	20,000.00	-483.63	97.58%
42800 · Plan Review Fees	19,874.28	20,000.00	-125.72	99.37%
43400 · Out Of District Response Calls	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
45400 · Copy Fees/Permits	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
45500 · Memorial/ Donations	18,235.00	1,000.00	17,235.00	1,823.5%
46000 · Fire Service Contracts	38,978.33	37,718.00	1,260.33	103.34%
48000 · Ambulance Charges	2,279,329.00	2,000,000.00	279,329.00	113.97%
48001 · Contractual Adjustments	-1,238,741.55	-1,240,000.00	1,258.45	99.9%
48002 · Write Offs (Bad Debt Exp.)	-132,373.98		-132,373.98	100.0%
48010 · Other Medical Income	1.00	40,000.00	-39,999.00	0.0%
48015 · Bad Debt Collections	14,054.75			
48020 · Fund Raisers	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	0.0%
48030 · Other Types Income	113,215.99	151,406.00	-38,190.01	74.78%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>4,512,866.40</b>	<b>4,582,208.00</b>	<b>-69,341.60</b>	<b>98.49%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>4,512,866.40</b>	<b>4,582,208.00</b>	<b>-69,341.60</b>	<b>98.49%</b>

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual  
January through October 2025

	Jan 01 - Oct 31, 2025	Budget	Remaining Budget	% Used of Budget
<b>Expense</b>				
40900 · Abatement	2,211.88	6,092.00	-3,880.12	36.31%
40950 · Abatement Interest	639.50	250.00	389.50	<b>255.8%</b>
41400 · Mesa Co Tres. Commission	55,493.96	60,000.00	-4,506.04	92.49%
60000 · Bank / Credit Card Fees	1,282.73	2,000.00	-717.27	64.14%
60100 · Administration Fees/All	3,639.11	18,200.00	-14,560.89	20.0%
60200 · Legal/Audit/NoticesALL	19,674.59	29,000.00	-9,325.41	67.84%
60250 · Interest Expense	0.00		0.00	0.0%
60500 · Election Expense	165.88	15,000.00	-14,834.12	1.11%
60910 · Fire Prevention	925.19	10,000.00	-9,074.81	9.25%
61000 · Office/Small Equipment	529.95	1,000.00	-470.05	53.0%
61500 · Office/Mailing Expense	1,006.42	2,000.00	-993.58	50.32%
61800 · Office/Supplies	1,884.24	4,000.00	-2,115.76	47.11%
62500 · Dues/Subscriptions	22,781.83	23,150.00	-368.17	98.41%
63500 · Utility Misc Expense	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
65000 · Utility Phone	8,232.11	9,000.00	-767.89	91.47%
65200 · Utility Sewer	685.36	1,200.00	-514.64	57.11%
65500 · Utility Trash	2,682.15	3,500.00	-817.85	76.63%
66000 · Utility ElectricGas	19,570.61	30,000.00	-10,429.39	65.24%
66500 · Utility 911 Dispatch	89,288.30	104,000.00	-14,711.70	85.85%
67000 · Utility Water	2,122.30	3,000.00	-877.70	70.74%
67500 · Computer Expense	7,963.21	4,000.00	3,963.21	<b>199.08%</b>
68000 · EMS Reimb/MC Emergency Manage	8,590.00	16,000.00	-7,410.00	53.69%
68500 · Maintenance Radios	75,678.95	82,000.00	-6,321.05	92.29%
69000 · Maintenance Contracts	73,427.30	110,212.00	-36,784.70	66.62%
70100 · Travel Expense	1,873.74	2,500.00	-626.26	74.95%
70500 · Mileage Reimburse	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
71000 · Meal Allowance	3,993.00	5,000.00	-1,007.00	79.86%
71500 · Fuel	22,387.82	35,000.00	-12,612.18	63.97%
71600 · Oil & Fluids	1,885.32	4,000.00	-2,114.68	47.13%
72500 · CRA / Employer Match	6,758.36	8,032.00	-1,273.64	84.14%
76500 · FPPA/EmployER Match	165,222.43	213,287.00	-48,064.57	77.47%
76550 · FPPA/Employer D & D	59,795.07	75,571.00	-15,775.93	79.12%
77000 · SS/EmployER Match	13,440.02	18,360.00	-4,919.98	73.2%
77200 · Medicare/EmployER Match	30,263.38	35,490.00	-5,226.62	85.27%
77500 · Wage Expense	1,980,802.39	2,440,019.00	-459,216.61	81.18%
77550 · Overtime/Comp Wages	105,734.20	110,000.00	-4,265.80	96.12%
89000 · Dist.Liability/Bonds/Insurance	46,279.04	45,000.00	1,279.04	<b>102.84%</b>
89100 · State Comp Insurance	47,554.00	65,000.00	-17,446.00	73.16%
89200 · H&A/Insurance	373,123.47	479,068.00	-105,944.53	77.89%
89300 · Claims/Expenses/Insurance	2,553.42	8,500.00	-5,946.58	30.04%
89400 · Triad/Insurance	1,032.24	3,000.00	-1,967.76	34.41%
89500 · Lodging Allowance	8,223.58	10,000.00	-1,776.42	82.24%
89600 · Tests/Medical/CBI	5,253.49	14,875.00	-9,621.51	35.32%
89700 · Education Materials	27,904.52	52,300.00	-24,395.48	53.36%
89800 · Supplies Medical	85,772.78	106,380.00	-20,607.22	80.63%
89810 · Supplies Fire	35,197.56	55,950.00	-20,752.44	62.91%
89820 · Supplies Janitorial	2,618.94	4,000.00	-1,381.06	65.47%
89830 · Supplies Food	2,269.99	3,500.00	-1,230.01	64.86%
89840 · Clothing Allowance	7,205.34	16,000.00	-8,794.66	45.03%
90000 · Vehicle/Parts & Supplies	21,164.70	34,000.00	-12,835.30	62.25%
90010 · Misc Repairs/Maintenance/Tow	72.50	850.00	-777.50	8.53%
90100 · Vehicle/Small Tools	686.39	1,500.00	-813.61	45.76%
90200 · Vehicle/Tires & Tubes	1,388.91	7,000.00	-5,611.09	19.84%
90300 · Vehicle/Misc. Items	10.15	1,000.00	-989.85	1.02%
90400 · Capital Building Expense	28,155.03	166,000.00	-137,844.97	16.96%
90500 · New Equipment Purchases	448,983.06	812,000.00	-363,016.94	55.29%
90600 · Maintenance/Building	8,359.12	16,000.00	-7,640.88	52.25%
90601 · Miscellaneous	38.61	500.00	-461.39	7.72%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>3,944,478.14</b>	<b>5,384,786.00</b>	<b>-1,440,307.86</b>	<b>73.25%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>568,388.26</b>	<b>-802,578.00</b>	<b>1,370,966.26</b>	<b>-70.82%</b>

## AMBULANCE BILLING RESOLUTION

11/13/2025

THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE *LOWER VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT*  
HEREBY RESOLVES TO ADOPT THIS RESOLUTION

The Board of Directors of Lower Valley Fire Protection District have determined to write off the following amounts for non-collectable contractual agreements between the District and Medicare, Medicaid, and/or Commercial payers (*as required by law*); collection fees; deceased persons; bankruptcy judgements; employee and/or retiree benefit persons; and indigent/homeless persons accounts for ambulance services in the amounts stated below for the month of October 2025:

Contractual Adjustments:	\$140,559.35
Deceased:	\$1,797.00
Employee / Retiree Benefit:	\$0.00
Indigent or Unsheltered:	\$1,174.00
Bankruptcy:	\$0.00

**Total:** \$143,530.35

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Patient accounts sent to collections in October 2025 = \$22,779.47 (19 accounts) to A1 Collections.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the Lower Valley Fire Protection District  
on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025

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Lower Valley Fire Protection District  
*President of the Board of Directors*

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Lower Valley Fire Protection District  
*Vice-President of the Board of Directors*



## STAFF REPORT

November 13, 2025

### Mahea's Report

- Ambulance income received for the month of October 2025 = \$97,003.31
- Government Shutdown
  - Decreased Medicare income; still receiving small deposits.
- Old Checking Account has officially been closed
  - Government payers are still working on the switchover, however, GVB is aware and automatically transferring deposits from the old account into the new account.
- Medicare Audit
  - Completed in April; still no update.

### Diana's Report

- As reported last month, the GVB interest rate held steady at 4.07% over the past year. Effective October 1, 2025, the rate decreased to 3.75%. While this change will result in a slight reduction in the District's interest earnings, it remains competitive with current market averages.
- The rate has since decreased further to 3.50%.
- Transfer of \$750,000 from ColoTrust to GVB (normal timing for this annual transfer).
- Our Board President, **Cullen Purser**, is the *Designee* on the ColoTrust account.
- Computer Upgrades - Several of the District's older computers are not eligible for the Windows 11 upgrade due to Microsoft's hardware requirements. Microsoft will continue supporting Windows 10 only until October 14, 2025, so replacement of non-compatible systems is necessary to maintain security compliance and ensure compatibility with District software and network systems.

### Chief's Report

- Apparatus Update:
  - Type III- Production is now at 20%.
  - Water Tender- Randco is actively assembling, still on track for agreed timeline.
- General
  - 2026 Budget- We need to set another committee meeting to review after the recent changes.
  - Fire Chief Annual Review and Steps Document.
  - District Christmas Party.
  - Station 31 and Other Capital Project update.

### Deputy Chief Report

- General
  - Strategic planning update: Workgroup the 17<sup>th</sup>, Strategic planning meeting on 11/24. We have a mission statement, values, goals are now working on strategies. You are welcome to attend any and all sessions or review any of the working documents.
- Training
  - Paramedics completed vent/airway training with medical directors
  - Thomas Creel completed Proctor course

- Stacie Dix teaching toxicology at the EMSAC conference
- Live Burn training is being completed this month
- Highschool academy is going well, they will begin Live burn training in December and HazMat soon

### Call Data

Total Calls in October	% Difference (Same month last year)	YTD	YTD % Difference (2024)	YTD %Difference (2023)
241	9%	2,528	12%	13%

### Fire Prevention Activities YTD

City of Fruita Plan Reviews	21 Not including Pre Construction Meetings	
Mesa County Plan Reviews	57 plan reviews	
Sprinkler Systems Inspections Fruita	1 FCC	
Brady Residence	Tank and Pump Sprinkler Final 07/21/2025	
Fruita Meeting House LDS Church	Final Hydro and Flow Test / Fire Alarm Final	
Fire Alarm Acceptance Test		2
Fruita Flats NFPA 13 system	Alarm and Sprinkler final	
	2	
Commercial Hood System	Fruita Bakery, Josephin's	
	2	
Residential Subdivision		1
Site Plan		3
Fire Alarm Reviews		2
Building Permit		1
Fire Underground		2
Above Ground Tank installation LPG		2
Tenant Finish Plan Review		1
Mesa County Sprinkler Systems		
932 22 Rd	Final Sprinkler Inspections	
1961 N. Road	Rough and insulation Inspection	
2087 Kedrowski Ct	Rough in Inspection	
1068 19.5 Rd	Final Sprinkler Inspections	
958 21 Rd	Sprinkler Review	
845 River Ranch Ct.	Sprinkler Review/ Rough in inspection	
967 J Road	Sprinkler Review	
1070 19.5 Rd Thompson	Rough- In Inspection	
1924 K RD	Sprinkler Review / Rough in Inspection	
1926 K Rd	Sprinkler Review/ Rough in Inspection	
1928 K Rd.	Sprinkler Review / Rough in Inspection	
1967 J. Rd	Sprinkler Review / Rough in Inspection	
1250 Iron Vista Way	Rough In/ Insulation Inspection	
852 River Ranch Court	Review	
Driveway Permits		1
Simple Land Division		4
Property Line Adjustments		5
Clearance Permits		4

Site Plan Review		5
Temporary Events		4
Pyrotechnic/Flame Effects		4
Rezone Review		5
Special Events Venue Review		4
Hood Extinguishing System Review		4
Hood Extinguishing System Acceptance Test		4
Conditional Use Permit		4
Fireworks Sales		4
Pyrotechnic/Flame Effects		4
Residential Subdivision		4
CO2 Permit		1
Wildland Urban Interface Home Inspection.		1
Total Business Inspections		47
Food Truck Incpections		17
Fruita Farmers Market PR Event		~250
COOP Farm & Ranch Days		~300
Fruita Citizens Academy		40
Truck- N-Treat		2500
Trick-or-Treat Street Loma & Fruita		2500
American Red Cross Sound the Alarm	4 homes 9 detectors installed	
Rimrock Elementry		143
Shelledy Elementry		195
Monument Ridge Elementry		143
Loma Elementry		194
Station Tours		112
Cops and Car Show.		81
Kings View Estates HOA meeting		26
Patriots Parade at Rim Rock	Whole school event	
Bookcliff Christian School		8
Rim Rock First Grade Station tour		33
Mesa County Public Library		30
Fruita Residential Units	Mesa County Residential Units	
805 W. Ottley 61 unit Apartment Complex	1900 Broadway 180 campsites	
Window Rock View Filing #1 19 units	1249 M. Road 2 Units	
Whatcap filing 128 units	1585 19 Rd. 24 Units	
Dave Dolan Commercial Garage	River Heights Estates Hwy 340	36
West Canyon Filing 223 units		
Copper Creek West Filing #3 36 Units		
1565 Cipolla RV Park		