

Meridian Rural Fire Protection District

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

Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2026

Call to Order:

The Meridian Rural Fire Protection District monthly meeting for March 9, 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, Deputy Chief Charlie Butterfield, MRFPD Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald

Approval of Agenda for the March 9, 2026 MRFPD Monthly Meeting:

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Shannon to approve Agenda. Motion passed.

Approval of the Minutes for the February 9, 2026 MRFPD Monthly Meeting:

Motion made by Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Shannon to approve meeting minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report- Prepared by Commissioner Randy Howell, Presented by Commissioner Shannon:

- Approve and pay bills as follows:
 - Check #5604, City of Meridian, \$159,881.29, December 2025 ABC Budgets, Invoice #3200
 - Check #5605, City of Meridian, \$138,046.27, January 2026 ABC Budgets, Invoice #3201
 - Check #5606, Fire Code Consultants Northwest, \$5,530.26, Fire Plan Review Fees, Invoice #MRFD_MAR6_2026

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- Check #5607, John O Fitzgerald, \$998.00, General Legal Services, Invoice #2026-03
- Check #5608, Tall Man Enterprises, \$571.13, WaterTower Lot Maintenance, Invoice #2026-B
 - Total of \$305,027.55 checks paid out the month of March 2026
- Motion made by Commissioner Shannon to accept and pay stated bills. Commissioner Ward seconded. Motion passed.
- LGIP \$6,024,559.76 balance
- US Bank \$49,784.39 balance
- Current net cash position is currently \$6,074,344.15
- US Bank Statement- Received and reconciled November 2025, December 2025, and January 2026.
- LGIP Statement- No statement received by meeting date/time.

Old Business:

- 2025 MRFPD Board of Commissioner election swearing in for Commission Ward and Commissioner Shannon. MRFPD Legal Counsel John O Fitzgerald signed and notarized documents after both Commissioner's Ward and Shannon signed. Copies will be placed in the MRFPD records.
- Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) ongoing discussion. John O. Fitzgerald, MRFPD Legal Counsel. Meeting scheduled between MRFPD Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald and Meridian City Attorney Bill Nary. MRFPD Legal Counsel John O. Fitzgerald will revise JPA documents based on discussion with City of Meridian Attorney Bill Nary and provide commissioners updated draft language for commissioners to review including but not limited to relationship, success

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measurements, and defined duties/activities. Further discussion will be placed on the April 2026 monthly meeting agenda.

- No old business

New Business:

- Deputy Chief Butterfield provided MFD update.
- Next MFD recruit academy of ten (10) is still slated for August 2026 with recruiting starting in March 2026 utilizing same Phoenix recruiting firm as was retained during the last academy recruiting cycle.
- There are currently (8) eight vacancies within the MFD professional staff. Job postings open and reviewing current in-house staff for potential promotions.
- The MFD is currently pre-planning and preparing for FY27 budget discussion along with the department master plan.
- No New Business.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Shannon to adjourn the March 9, 2026 monthly of the Meridian Rural Fire Protection District. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 4:37PM MT.