

Minutes of August 17th, 2026, Board Meeting

The Fire Board of Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District met in Regular session, held at the fire house at 450 Little John Road, Williams, Arizona. The following topics and any variables thereto were subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action.

1. Call to order at 5:00pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call: Walt Krushinsky (Chairperson), Dan Roush (Treasurer) and, Debra Hamby (Clerk). Also attending, Matt McDowell (Chief). Public – sign in sheet recorded.
4. Minutes: July 2026 Regular session minutes were approved, Dan R. made motion to approve and Walt K. 2nd and all in favor.
5. Treasures report: July 2026 report was not ready yet, by email from CPA
6. Discuss the future of the radios and dispatch: Matt let the Board know that our department and other departments are having issues with the Guardian dispatch in Williams and are looking for other options. One option is looking at expanding to Kaibab and they are also looking to expand. We have options and Matt will be looking into them and report back to the Board. He does want the Board to know that new radios may be needed for this change and the BK radios (what the forest service uses) cost between \$5000 - \$10000. The cost will depend on whether we can work with other departments to make a cost share, to get at a lower rate. We would need a min of 2 and a max of 10 for every FF.
7. Reports:
 - a. Correspondence: None
 - b. Auxiliary: upcoming events are- Bingo is this Thursday; Moonset Pit is this Saturday. The neighborhood is having issues with unleashed dogs, calls are coming in and callers are being told to call the Sheriffs office. Matt asked if the Auxiliary could help with culverts that are all backed up on properties not occupied. In the end the County oversees keeping the drainage ditch cleaned out and has been working on it this month. But the culverts themselves are the property owner's responsibility.
 - c. Fire Chief report: read and attached
 - d. Board report: None
 - e. POA: Aug 22nd will be a blood drive (this Saturday) and still have openings. There was a \$300 donation from the neighborhood yard sale to the FD.
7. New Business: None
8. Old Business: None
9. Call to Public: Kathy K. Spoke about the neighborhood yard sale- there were 10 participants, all giving \$10 to be part of it. Sue and Karl Phillips won the drawing to get their \$10 back. One participant donated all proceeds of sale to the FD. Moonset Pit- There are 3 more open dates left for Moonset Pit and possibly Buggy Wheel (after Moonset closes) if it is not too muddy from all the rain. Kathy also wants to talk with the new Mayor of Williams (once elected) to see if she can get the Green Waste fee lowered to help prevent forest dumping.
10. Adjournment: at 5:30pm Dan R. made motion to adjourn and Debra H. 2nd, all in favor. Next meeting is September 15th @ 5pm



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CHIEF'S REPORT AUGUST 17, 2026

ACTIVITY:

- Incidents since last Board Meeting:
 - 7/29/26 Lightning Strike on pin hill, no emergency
 - 8/16/26 camp fire clean up

EQUIPMENT:

- Apparatus Update:
 - Engine 421 (in service)
 - CH41 (in service)
 - Tender 418 (in service)
 - Tender 5 (in service)
 - Tender 8 (in service)
 - Brush 426 (in service)
 - Brush 418 (in service)
 - CH41 (in service)
 - Engine 411 (in service)
- Station
 - Emergency Power- operational
 - Septic- operational

TRAINING:

7/23/26 winch training 2 members, 8/2/26, 5 members- Truck familiarization and driver safety, Driver training with new firefighters throughout the month

Volunteered Hours- 15.5

Does not include paid personnel hours



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DISTRICT NOTES:

- Fire danger Moderate, No current fire restrictions
- McDowell reimbursed District \$609.01 for accidental charge for AIRBNB rental
- Attended regional dispatch meeting
- Continued rebadging of vehicles
- Mitigated weeds around the station. Thank you AC Pruett

CARE FOR EACH OTHER

SUBMITTED BY:

MATTHEW MCDOWELL, FIRE CHIEF

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