Jackson County Fire District 1

Minutes – Board of Directors Special Session
Meeting of September 24, 2026 at 12:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:
The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by President, John Ellis.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGENCE

ROLL CALL:
Jim Stearns, John Ellis, Randy Cort, John Foster and Craig Berry, present.
Also in attendance: Community Panel; Brian Mortensen, Niki Murphy, Corey McQueen, Michelle Has, Darren Jahn, Dr. April Harrison. Technical Panel; Chief Mike Hussey, Chief Jimmy Sanchez, Chief Travis Crume, Chief Austin Prince and Chief John Holmes. Staff; Jenna Kurzyniec and Jeni Darr.

Executive Session:
President, John Ellis closed for executive session under ORS 192.660(2)(a) at 12:32pm.

Meeting opened back up to Special session at 5:40pm.

Jim Stearns made a motion to give a conditional offer to Dave Blakley, Randy Cort 2nd. John Foster, Randy Cort, John Ellis, Jim Stearns in favor, motion passed. Craig Berry not present at time of vote.

Randy Cort nominated John Ellis and Jim Stearns to be the primary employment agreement negotiators, John Foster 2nd. John Foster, Randy Cort, John Ellis, Jim Stearns in favor, motion passed. Craig Berry not present at time of vote.

John Ellis will be the point of contact with Bill Landis in regards to background check.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 5:43 p.m. by Jim Stearns, 2nd by John Foster.

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Jenna Kurzyniec
Clerk to the Board

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Craig Berry
Secretary/Treasurer - Board of Directors