# South Arkansas Fire Protection District

## SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** July 14, 2026

**Time:** 0900 Hours

**Location:** 611 Oak Street, Salida, CO 81201

## Board Members Present

- Harold Starbuck
- Art Hutchinson
- Sheldon Morgan

### Board Members Excused

- Rich Edgington, unable to attend and gave proxy to President Starbuck
- Phillip Gamache, unable to attend and gave proxy to President Starbuck

## 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Starbuck at 0902 hours.

## 2. Approval of the Agenda

- Motion to accept the agenda as presented.
  - **Motion by:** Art Hutchinson
  - **Second by:** Sheldon Morgan
  - **Vote:** Passed unanimously

## 3. Open Session

No public was present.

## 4. New Business

- Allocate funds to staff a Type 6 engine to mitigate the potential threat of wildfires in the South Arkansas Fire Protection District. The decision was driven by severe fire danger, prolonged drought conditions, and inadequate available resources resulting from significant wildfire activity throughout the state.
  - **Motion by:** Art Hutchinson
  - **Second by:** Sheldon Morgan
  - **Vote:** Unanimous

## 5. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn the meeting at 0917 hours.
  - **Motion by:** Art Hutchinson
  - **Second by:** Rich Edgington
  - **Vote:** Passed unanimously

Submitted by Art Hutchinson, Secretary Treasurer. Scanned signature removed.