

WBVFD Business Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 12, 2026
6:30pm

CALL TO ORDER: President Bill Pierce called the meeting to order

INVOCATION: Betty Newman gave the invocation.

There were 24 members in attendance:

David Genrich	Betty Newman	Stephanie Hapka	Charles Boyer	Terry Pierce
Kathy Corbin	Roy Johnson	Hugh Corbin	Kevin Watson	John Hapka
Ron Stone	Tony Dement	David Wood	Ethan Watson	Richard Ashley
Bill Pierce	Shane Bailey	Ned Wilmarth	Darin Giessinger	Guin McGinnis
Jackie Baker	Keith O'Donnell	Greg Gummelt	Terry Boyer	

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A motion to approve the minutes of November 10th, 2025, business meeting that was emailed to the membership by Secretary Kathy Corbin, was made by Terry Pierce and seconded by Charles Boyer. All approved. Motion passed.
- Treasurer Greg Gummelt gave the treasurer's report. Greg gave Co-Treasurer Jessica Painter a big thank you for taking over treasurer duties when he was gone for about 5 months. A motion to approve the treasurer's report ending December 31st, 2025, was made by David Genrich and seconded by John Hapka. All approved. Motion passed.
 - Checking Account: \$112,466.43
 - Balance of ESD1 and ESD2 account: \$2,350.88
 - Edward Jones Treasury account: \$52,415.46
 - The final total for the fall fundraiser was \$34,756
 - Grants received for the 2025 year totaled \$19,524
 - This financial report is a combination of November and December 2025.
 - Financial report ending December 31st is attached

Chief's Report

- 17 calls for service: 11 – Medical, 4 – Grass Fires, 1 – Vehicle Fire, 1 – Lift Assist.
- 259 calls for service were made in 2025.
- A new member of the FD, Darin Giessinger, was introduced. He will be part of the Boat crew to respond when needed on the lake.
- At the WBVFD Christmas party, Firefighter of the year was presented to Capt. Shane Bailey and Capt. John Hapka.
- FD received a third grant from the Forestry Service for firefighting equipment for \$25,000.
- Report given at Christmas party is attached.
- The report ending December 31st is attached.

Old Business

- WBVFD received a grant from Tx Forestry Service for \$300,000.00 for a new Tanker. Also granted \$45,000.00 for a slip-on unit for a brush truck which may be used on Brush 331. **A contract has been entered into by a company in Illinois to build the tanker. Chief Corbin will be contacting agencies for several bids to present to the board.**
- Bill appointed Terry Boyer, Terry Pierce and Kathy Corbin for the Nominating Committee. One Director's term will be expiring.

New Business

- Kathy thanked Darin, David and Ethan for taking a fire truck to the Little Lights at the Chapel daycare, they were well received and had a good time.
- Kathy advised for the year 2025, the FD made and installed 24 reflective signs, same as 2024.
- Kathy advised for the year 2025 the Rehab unit made 14 calls.

Election of Officers/Directors for 2026

- Bill presented the recommendations from the nominating committee, listed below. Bill then asked for nominations from membership. No additional nominations were given. One directors position, Kevin Watson, expired and Kevin has advised that he would like to continue as a director for an additional term.

Darin Giessinger moved that the nominations for Officers and Directors that were put forth by the nominating committee be accepted. Shane Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Bill called for the vote. The voice vote was unanimous for affirmation of the

Officers and Directors for 2026 as presented.

President: Bill Pierce

Vice-President: Tony Dement

Secretary: Kathy Corbin

Treasurer: Greg Gummelt

Co-Treasurer: David Genrich

Support Coordinator: Kathy Corbin

Fire Chief: Hugh Corbin

Director Kevin Watson (Term expires 2029)

Hearing no additional items to be brought forth, Bill adjourned the meeting at 7:00pm.

Signed,

Kathy Corbin,

Secretary