Minutes
Of
Grassy Mountain Fire District

May 6, 2026, Grassy Mountain Fire District Meeting held at Grassy Mountain Lodge, MT

1. Agenda
    a. Call Meeting to Order
    b. Discussion of new Board Members
        i. Vote on Position – Chairman/Vice-Chairman/Secretary/Treasurer
    c. Approve Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2026
    d. Continue discussion on moving forward as a Fire District
    e. Meeting with Commissioners on Monday, May 11 at 10:30 am
    f. Update on Grant Information
    g. Update on Roster of potential GMFD volunteer firefighters
    h. Update on letter to GMROA for donation of utility lot
    i. Update on discussion with Broadwater County on merging taxes to Meagher County
    j. Update on Training
    k. Update on 30% retained funds required by County
    l. Update on e-Dispatches, notification and Radio Communications
    m. Open Discussion
    n. Meeting Adjourned
2. Attending GMFD Board Members: Penny Plachy, Anthony Perrone, Greg Philpot, Mike Fobert, Becky Derby.
    a. Attending Grassy Mountain residences: John Holly, Wes Wirzesinsky, Josh Green, Joe Mast, Ron Tieg, Ron Frisbie, Shawn Derby, Kevin and Dee Moyer
3. Motions Made during this Meeting
    a. Call Meeting to Order: Greg Philpot made a motion to commence the meeting and Anthony Peronne seconded the motion.
    b. Motion for GMFD Positions were made and seconded for the following positions within GMFD Board.
        i. Chairman - Anthony Perrone
        ii. Vice Chairman – Mike Fobert
        iii. Treasury – Penny Plachy
        iv. Secretary – Greg Philpot
    c. Motion to approve meeting minutes for April 15, 2026 Meeting approved and seconded.
    d. Motion to adjourn the meeting made and seconded.
4. Action Items for next meeting:
    a. May 6th Meeting
        i. Vote on Board positions - **Complete**
    b. Greg Philpot

i. Draft Rooster of potential GMFD volunteer firefighters - **Completed**
ii. Draft letter to Grassy Mountain Ranch Owner's Association for donation of the utility lot to GMFD – **Moved to next meeting**
iii. Check with Broadwater County to determine how to merge Broadwater County home owners into GMRD. – **Move to Next meeting**
iv. Framework for Request for Proposal (RFP) for GMFD building – **Moved to next meeting**

c. Mike Fobert and Greg Philpot
i. Draft and proposed annual operating budget for GMFD – **Framework done, no numbers**
ii. Draft a proposed training schedule for GMFD - **Discussed**

d. Anthony Perrone
i. GMROA Facebook posting requesting owner feedback on donating utility lot to GMFD – **Move to next meeting**
ii. Check with Meagher County to determine GMFD integration into County's E-Dispatch - **Discussed**

e. Penny Plachy
i. Present new board members to Meagher County Commissioner's for approval – **Conducted at Commissioner's meeting May 11,2026**
ii. Determine if the county requires retaining 30% of current funds – **Yes, 30% of funding retained**

f. Mike Fobert and Bec Dorsey
i. Investigate Grant options. – **Moved to next meeting.**

5. Agenda Discussion
a. Board approved the following GMFD Board positions
i. Chairman - Anthony Perrone
ii. Vice Chairman – Mike Fobert
iii. Treasury – Penny Plachy
iv. Secretary – Greg Philpot

b. Approve Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2026
i. Meeting minutes were approved

c. Continue discussion on moving forward as a Fire District
i. Discussed process for purchasing Type 4, 4WD truck with 1000-gallon water capacity
ii. Further discussion of the following:
1. Insurance for volunteers and equipment
a. Getting our own
b. Integrating with Meagher County
c. Protective equipment
d. Building/substation at Grassy Mountain
e. Training and training levels
i. DNRC
ii. Meagher
iii. Basic "how to drive our equipment"

f. ISO Standards
g. Water Storage
h. Communication needs
    i. Radios
    ii. E-Distpatch
i. County Fire Service Area efforts
j. Location of GMFD building
k. Upcoming Commissioner's meeting
l. Letter of Support for people to volunteer
    i. Training with Meagher County
    ii. $3,000 tax credit
m. Current Grassy Mountain roads situation
n. Grants
o. 30% hold back on funds
p. Plates for existing GMFD fire truck
q. Previous GMFD meeting audio files
r. Volunteer Rooster Reviewed and additional residents signed.
    i. Need a GMFD volunteer form
s. Dissemination of GMFD information
    i. GMFD Facebook page
    ii. Cost of posting in Meagher County newspaper