

Battle Creek Fire Protection District

Minutes for Special Meeting
April 24, 2025

There being a quorum, a Special Meeting of Battle Creek Fire Protection District was called to order on April 24, 2025 at 6:30 PM by President John Esposti at the Hayward Fire Hall with directors Leo Van Sambeek, Levi Van Sambeek, Casey McNulty, Jack Bradt and Stuart Adrian present. Also present were Fire Chief Dale Gadbois and Business Manager Garrett Dixon. A list of other meeting attendees is recorded on the attached sign in sheet.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to take action on the petitions that were submitted to the District in response to the Opt Out Resolution previously passed by the Board on March 20, 2025.

President Esposti started the meeting by explaining the process by which the District requests and distributes tax monies collected by Pennington and Custer Counties, and how the Opt Out process can be used to raise additional tax revenue to address budget shortfalls. He also reviewed the rules that govern the petition process, and how the petitions submitted by the petitioners did not meet the requirements set by South Dakota Codified Law. Petitioners responded that near the end of the time frame allowed for collecting signatures, they realized that they were not in compliance with the rules governing petitions, but not being able to correct the petitions in the remaining time available, decided to submit the petitions to the District Board anyway, acknowledging that they would have to be ultimately rejected.

Casey McNulty made a motion to reject the petitions because they were not self contained and not all pages were properly notarized. Seconded by Jack Bradt. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting proceeded with a lengthy Question and Answer session with those in attendance.

Meeting adjourned 7:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Stuart Adrian

Battle Creek Fire Protection District
Special meeting April 24, 2025

PLEASE SIGN IN

Cayden Beals
Garrett Dixon
Loren Linte
Marilyn Moe
Michael Hicks
Scott Adrian

ROBERT H. KING HERMOSA.

Paul + Mariann Johnson, Hermosa

Leslie Hladysz

Jim BAKER Hermosa.

CORT BAKER HERMOSA

Greg Neugebauer Hermosa

Jerald Austin Keystone - ~~FLAYWARRS~~

PAUSY WRICH ~~FLAYWARRS~~

Jeff Sprunk Keystone

Donald Zierke + Kim Zierke Keystone

MIKE Cassidy Keystone

ROGER MYERS KEYSTONE

Ali Van Sambeek Hermosa

Ann Woods Keystone

Tom Tennessen Keystone

Tom Slaughter Hermosa 7032981986