

**New Melle Fire Protection District**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 11, 2025**  
**12:00 p.m.**

**In Attendance**

John Loyd, President  
Kyle Shell, Secretary  
Daniel Casey, Fire Chief  
Joshua Ellis, Assistant Chief  
Scott Repke, Battalion Chief  
Jonah Wilson, Shop Steward  
Michelle Depew, Financial Consultant  
Donna Oney, Administrative Assistant

The monthly board meeting of the New Melle Fire Protection District was held on Thursday, September 11, 2025, at Fire House #1 pursuant to call and waiver of notice of Board of Directors as evidenced by signatures affixed to these minutes.

**Call to Order**

With two board members present, Board President John Loyd called this meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

**Additions to Agenda**

- Hiring of one firefighter/paramedic to be added to new business.

**Review of Previous Minutes**

- Board Member Kyle Shell made a motion to approve both August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes and closed session minutes as presented.
- John Loyd seconded the motion.
- A vote was taken; all board members were in favor.
- Minutes approved.

**Chief's Report**

- Chief Casey reported receipt of a thank you card for hosting a birthday party. This was an auctioned item donated by New Melle FPD annually.

**Assistant Chief's Report**

- Assistant Chief Ellis advised that a meeting was held with Risk Strategies to discuss potential savings in our health insurance coverage. Discussions are still in the early stages. Currently the District's life insurance ends with employment, but new plans are being considered that may carry into retirement. Looking at new plans that might carry over into retirement.
- Josh was just notified that MOFAD may soon allow the District to join them for workers compensation coverage pending a bylaw change.
- Progress on the new trucks continues.

**Treasurer's Report**

- Chief Ellis reviewed account balances.
- Kyle Shell and Chief Casey transferred \$500,000 from general fund into our cd.
- Kyle Shell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.
- John Loyd seconded the motion.
- A vote was taken, and all board members were in favor.

- Treasurer's Report accepted.

**Members of the Public**

- No speakers were present.

**Old Business**

- Station 2 Update
  - Chief Casey reported that construction is ahead of schedule following a recent meeting with LCS.
  - Trusses are being installed on the new section today, and the building is expected to be under roof within two weeks.
  - An issue with the bay floor concrete is being reviewed.

**New Business:**

- 2025 Tax Rates
  - Tax rate resolutions 2025-01 and 2025-02 were presented to the board.
  - Kyle made a motion to approved both resolutions and to accept the 2025 tax rates as presented in the public hearing.
  - John Loyd seconded the motion.
  - Both board members in favor.
  - Motion carried. 2025 tax rates accepted.
- Firefighter/Paramedic Position
  - Discussion moved to closed session.

**Shop Steward**

- No items.

Board President, John Loyd entertained a motion to enter closed session.  
Kyle Shell made the motion and was seconded by John Loyd.  
The board entered closed session at 12:18 p.m.

Open session reconvened at 12:40 p.m.

- Board Member Kyle Shell made a motion to approve of hiring one firefighter/paramedic position.
- Motion was seconded by John Loyd.
- All board members in favor.
- Motion carried.

Kyle Shell made a motion to adjourn this meeting.  
John Loyd seconded the motion.  
Meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Oney

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John Loyd, President

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Date

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Kyle Shell, Secretary

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Date