

PALOMAR MOUNTAIN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
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**The Palomar Mountain Community Fire Association**

Minutes of the monthly meeting of The Board of Directors, July 5, 2025.

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 A.M. by President Robert Carlyle. Board members present in person at the Community Center (Station 79 grounds): Robert Carlyle, Mark Thompson, Keith Ronchetti. Board member Tom Mendenhall was away on an excused absence. Also present in person were Miriam Munoz, Cliff Kellogg, and Bill Leininger. Elizabeth Getzoff, Jim Hamerly, and board member Michael Pique joined our Zoom teleconference.

Pledge: Robert led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment: Cliff Kellogg congratulated Keith Ronchetti on his 45 years of marriage to Colleen.

Minutes: The minutes from the June 7, 2025, meeting were approved.

Financial Report: Keith Ronchetti's written report (available at [palomar-fire.org](http://palomar-fire.org)) showed a balance of \$92,323.31, with an additional \$1220.29 held for CERT. The report was approved.

Station 79 Report: No report.

County Fire Advisory (CFA) Board: Cliff Kellogg reports they have not met since May. The next meeting will be September 8.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): Bill Leininger says CERT will be joining an elementary school preparedness activity in Borrego Springs. There was good attendance at the June 14 WUI (Wildland-Urban Interface) workshop on Palomar.

Community Center of Palomar Mountain (CCPM): Robert Carlyle, Chair. Focus is on preparing for the August 30 Mountain Hoedown. Robert has weed-whipped the grounds near the Community Center building. He and Michael Pique will put up the outdoor banner at the South Grade-East Grade intersection. Rosie Lopresti has reserved the entire US Forest Service campground for that weekend. Chris Clarke and band will perform live music again. Cecelia Borland will conduct the silent auction - donation items needed. Budgeting about \$2500 for food. Next CCPM meeting August 23, immediately following the PMPO meeting.

Palomar Mountain Fire Safe Council (PMFSC): Yvonne Vaucher is away, no report. The PMFSC skipped May and June meetings. The next two FSC meetings will be 9 AM July 26 and August 23, in person at the CCPM and by Zoom.

Palomar Mountain Planning Organization (PMPO): Next meeting is 10 AM August 23, immediately following the 9 AM FSC meeting.

PMCFA/PMVFD Board Elections - Cliff Kellogg will serve as the Election Nominations Chair. Seats now occupied by Keith Ronchetti and Michael Pique are up for election at the August 31 Annual General Meeting.

Adjournment: 09:27 AM 07/05/2025. The next PMCFA meeting will be at 9 AM, August 2, 2025, at the Community Center. Michael Pique might be traveling. We expect to have Zoom call-ins available.

Michael Pique, Secretary

Minutes approved by PMCFA Board 08/02/2025.