

GRAND VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING January 16, 2013

Attendance: Fire District Board of Directors  
Keith Lammey (5/2016, 2nd Term)                      Bill Nelson (5/2014, 1<sup>st</sup> Term)  
Kevin Whelan (5/2016, 1<sup>st</sup> Term)                      Eric Edgerton (05/2014, Appointed)  
Ted Anderson (5/2014, 1<sup>st</sup> Term)

Absent:                      NONE

Staff:                      David Blair, Fire Chief,                      Rob Ferguson, Deputy Fire Chief,  
                                    Kim Reeves, Administrative Specialist                      Chris Davidson, Captain  
                                    Eric Langner, Captain

Public:                      None

President Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**MINUTES**

Minutes from the December 5, 2012 Special Board Meeting were presented and reviewed. Edgerton moved to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Lammey. All approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Financial reports for December 2012 were reviewed and discussed. Lammey moved to approve the financial reports, subject to audit. Seconded by Edgerton. All approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Battlement Mesa Winterfest is coming up and Fire Department presence would be recommended.

**FIRE CHIEFS REPORT**

- **Annual notification approvals**  
The annually required public meeting notice, BOD contact information and transparency notices were reviewed for any errors in information.  
Deadlines and notifications required for year 2013 were reviewed.
- **Year end review of the District's projects**  
Chief Blair updated the District BOD on the status of projects which were started in 2012 and were either completed or will continue into 2013. Whelan moved to approve the replacement of U31 not to exceed the approved budget amount of \$40,000.00. Seconded by Edgerton. All approved.
- **The Garfield County CWPP has been completed and now what are the next steps for the GVFPD**  
Chief Blair reviewed the final copy of the Garfield County CWPP with the BOD and explained how this tool will be used to position the District's staff to assist with potential Wildfire Hazard Mitigation projects for the spring/summer of 2013.
- **Fire Code Amendments to the 2009 IFC**  
The final amendments to the 2009 IFC were reviewed by the GVFPD BOD's. This final copy has one change from the initial presentation made to the BOD's during 2012. The change has been included at the advice of the District's attorney. It places the responsibility for any required air quality control permits or any other required federal, state or local agency permit on the permittee. Otherwise, there are no changes to original proposed amendments that were

previously reviewed by the BOD. Edgerton moved to approve the amendments to the 2009 IFC. Seconded by Anderson. All Approved

➤ **Garfield County Sheriff's Office transfer of fire suppression responsibility form.**

At the January County Fire Chief's meeting, Jim Sears presented a form on behalf of Sheriff Vallario. The form/agreement is currently being used in Mesa and Rio Blanco Counties. During the initial discussions it appears to be a very workable form for wildland fires and may be "tweaked" to be able to be used for other natural disasters (all hazards). Chief Blair is interested in putting on training for BOD's to educate them on their roles and responsibilities in the event of a large scale disaster. Based on interest, Chief Blair will move forward with this training during the next month. The Board of Directors requested that Chief Blair set up the training and requested that it be conducted on a Saturday before Wildfire Season.

➤ **Other**

## **STAFF REPORT**

➤ **District participation in recent events**

Deputy Chief Ferguson discussed some of the events that the District has participated in during the past month, as well as what the Operations Staff has been doing.

➤ **OPS Report**

Deputy Chief Ferguson discussed the December 2012 Operations report.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERSONNEL RELATED MATTERS**

President Nelson made a motion that the Board of Directors hold an Executive Session per CRS-246-402(4) related to personnel matters. Seconded by Lammey. All Approved.

Whelan made a motion that the Executive Session be closed at 11:48 a.m. and the Regular Board Meeting resume. Seconded by Lammey. All Approved.

## **OTHER**

Kevin Whelan suggested that the District purchase iPads for each Board Member to have access to Board Meeting Packets, instead of mailing the Packets in paper form each month.

Ted Anderson suggested that the District's policy on drug and alcohol use in the Member Handbook be revisited.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no further business or discussions the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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Kim Reeves, Administrative Assistant

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Bill Nelson, Board President

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Kevin Whelan, Board Secretary/Treasurer