

GRAND VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING January 21, 2015

Attendance: Fire District Board of Directors
Bill Nelson (5/2018, 2nd Term) Keith Lammey (5/2016, 1st Term)
Michelle Foster (5/2018, 1st Term) Ted Anderson (5/2018, 2nd Term)
Kevin Whelan (5/2016, 1st Term)

Absent: None

Staff: David Blair, Fire Chief Kim Reeves, Administrative Specialist
Andrew Duprey, Lieutenant

Public: None

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

MINUTES

Minutes from the December 10, 2014 Special Board Meeting were presented and reviewed. Lammey moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

Minutes from the December 13, 2014 Special Board Meeting were presented and reviewed. Nelson moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Lammey. All approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial reports for December 2014 were reviewed and discussed. Lammey moved to approve the financial reports, subject to audit. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

FIRE CHIEFS REPORT

- **Old Business**
 - **Update on the status of the Remote Area Engine and other District Vehicles**

The Remote Area Engine has been delivered to the District. In-Service training has been completed by all crews and the engine is in service. Chief Blair will be contacting Pierce Manufacturing about revising the access steps to the cab. There have been at least 3 incidents so far, one a head injury involving scalp wound, caused by narrow tread on the bottom step. The Expedition is due back in service on Friday, January 16th. This apparatus sustained hail damage while a member was in Denver at training. Ladder 32, the Boardman is due back the end of this month. While installing the repaired pump section, an additional valve and flange needed to be ordered, involving a 2 week delivery time extension. The rest of the needed repairs have been made. No other apparatus/vehicles are awaiting repairs or service.
 - **Strategic Planning meeting for 2015**

Chief Blair would like to meet with the citizens of the District and explain what the Fire District does, how we operate and what services we provide to the community and then seek feed back as to what the community thinks of the Fire District, concerns about operations and/or services not currently providing, and where they would like us to be in the next 5 -10 years. Then with this information, set the Strategic Planning Session date. Public Meeting will be scheduled for Thursday February 12, 2015 at 7:00PM
 - **Member Benefits information**

Chief Blair presented to the Board of Directors a list of current benefits, tangible and intangible that the District offers to its members. Members included Directors, Full-time Staff, Part-time Staff, Volunteer Staff and Auxiliary Staff. After the presentation to the Board of Directors, Chief Blair will forward the list, with any additions/deletions/changes to the rest of the organization.

- **New Business**

- **Disposition of “Old Engine 33”**

Chief Blair suggested that we donate the 1981 American La France to Hugo Fire. The truck has a value of \$1500 - \$5000, depending on site checked and condition. It would be worth much more to Hugo Volunteer Fire Department. There are not any local fire departments in our area that could benefit from the donation. The truck is currently being stored inside the Rulison Fire Station, out of the weather, awaiting disposition. Lammey moved that 1981 American La France be donated to Hugo Fire. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

- **Apparatus Bay Door Replacement, Station #32**

Chief Blair requested permission to schedule the replacement of the 4 apparatus bay doors at Station #32 as quickly as possible. Because the cost of replacing these doors was estimated to be \$18,000, Chief Blair will need the approval of the Board of Directors. Foster moved to approve the replacement of the apparatus bay doors at Station #2. Seconded by Lammey. All approved.

- **Snowmobile Replacement Order**

Chief Blair discussed the two snowmobiles that are slated for replacement this year. They are to replace the three 1992 Polaris SWTs that were obtained through the LESO program several years ago. The budgeted machines are 2015 Ski Doo Skandic SWT. This purchase will be requested at a later meeting as the machines will need to be ordered in advance as a 2016 model year unit.

- **Garfield County AOP Meeting**

The Garfield County AOP meeting is scheduled for January 21st, at 0900 at the Sheriff’s Office. Deputy Chief Ferguson will be attending on Chief Blair’s behalf because of the Board of Directors meeting time conflict. There are no anticipated changes to the AOP for 2015.

- **Parachute / Battlement Mesa Comprehensive Plan Development**

Chief Blair has been asked to be a part of the P/BM Comp. Plan Development group. The first meeting will be January 21st, at 1830 at Parachute Town Hall.

- **Other Committees**

Chief Blair is still representing the District at the Chamber of Commerce, Community Events Committee, Parachute Town Hall Meetings and P/BM Kiwanis.

- **Designation of the “Official” posting place for 24-hour (agenda) notice of District Meetings**

As per Section 24-6-402(2)©, C.R.S., the Board of Directors needs to designate an Official posting place for 24 hour (agenda) notice of District Meetings. Chief Blair suggested that this notice location be the Public Notice Board in the lobby of Station #1, 0124 Stone Quarry Road, Parachute, CO 81635. Lammey moved to approve the Public Notice Board in the lobby of Station #1 as the Official posting place for 24 hour notice of District Meetings. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

- **Designation of posting of BOD Meeting Time & Location**

Chief Blair suggested to the Board of Directors that the current locations for posting Board of Directors Meeting Time & Location be retained.

The current locations are:

- GVFPD District Offices, Station 1
- Parachute Town Hall
- Parachute Post Office
- Garfield County Clerk & Recorder
- Mesa County Clerk & Recorder

Lammey moved to approve the current locations as the official posting locations for the Board of Directors Meeting time and location. Seconded by Nelson. All approved. The Board of Directors suggested that posting also be made at Parachute Library. Grand Valley Rec Center and Clarks Market.

- **Designation of Official Newspaper**

Chief Blair suggested to the Board of Directors that the current newspaper, the Citizen Telegram be retained as the official newspaper for public notifications. Anderson moved to approve the Citizen Telegram as the Official Newspaper. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

- **Staff Report**

- **District participation in recent events**

Chief Blair provided a handout created by Deputy Chief Ferguson outlining some of the events that the District has participated in during the past couple of months, as well as what the Operations Staff has been doing.

- **OPS Report**

Deputy Chief Ferguson provided a handout outlining the November/December 2014 Operations report.

- **Parachute Training Center Vision & Up-Date**

Training Division Chief Rowe presented a plan for developing the Parachute Training Center. The Board of Directors would like Chief Blair to look into the future purchase of the land at the Parachute Training Center

- **Quarterly Newsletter**

Kim Reeves advised the Board of the status of the Quarterly Newsletter. Chief Ferguson has sent an email to all Members asking their opinions on the Quarterly Newsletter. Once responses are received the Board of Directors will be advised of the feelings of the Members. Anderson suggested that historical information be added to the Newsletter.

- **Other**

Foster: There was an article in the newspaper regarding a law suit against the school for the accident in the auto shop class. The article included good comments about Grand Valley Fire Protection District.

Nelson: Requested more information about the expected tax deposit for the omitted property found during the county's oil and gas audit.

Anderson: URSA started building a new well pad.

ADJOURN

There being no further business or discussions the meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

Kim Reeves, Administrative Assistant

Kevin Whelan, Board President

Bill Nelson, Board Secretary/Treasurer