

GRAND VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING JUNE 15, 2016

Attendance: Fire District Board of Directors
Bill Nelson (5/2018, 2nd Term) Keith Lammey (5/2020, 2nd Term)
Kevin Whelan (5/2020, 2nd Term) Ted Anderson (5/2018, 2nd Term)
Michelle Foster (5/2018, 1st Term)

Absent: None

Staff: David Blair, Fire Chief Andrew Duprey, Lieutenant

Public: None

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

MINUTES

Minutes from the May 18, 2016 Regular Board Meeting were presented and reviewed. Lammey moved to approve the minutes with corrections. Seconded by Foster. All approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial reports for May 2016 were reviewed and discussed. Foster moved to approve the financial reports, subject to audit. Seconded by Lammey. All approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

AUDIT PRESENTATION

Marlo Coates with Colorado CPA presented the 2014 Audit to Board of Directors. Foster moved to approve the 2015 Financial Audit. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

Marlo will file the appropriate paperwork with the State on Colorado on behalf of the District.

➤ FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

▪ Old Business

▪ Emergency Response Plan

Chief Blair has contacted Ecology and Environment Inc to start the project. Because of the period of time that Chief Blair was away from the office, a phone conference meeting is being set up to discuss the additional evacuation plan requirements that were always part of the RFP. Zane Beall, E&E Inc was facilitating a tabletop session this last week and was unable to speak with Chief Blair and the Director committee. Chief Blair is trying to set the meeting for sometime during the third week of June.

▪ Member Handbook Changes and Update

Chief Blair has sent off the Member Handbook to the District's attorney for legal review. Chief Blair was advised in an email that there were a few things that may need to be changed/reworded. Chief Blair is setting up a phone conference for later this afternoon, June 15, 2016.

▪ Strategic Plan Update

The Strategic Plan Worksheet is up in the hallway, across from Chief Blair's Office. Work has begun on some of the action items.

▪ Remote area Water Tanks update

Work continues with placement agreements. EnCana has submitted theirs. Chief Blair has contacted them about changing the required signage from "Fresh Water" to "Non-Potable Water", in order to eliminate the chance that someone may drink out of the fire water tank. The agreement with Terra (WPX) is on hold with the current reduction of force.

- **Utility 34 Disposition Update**
The 1999 Ford F 350 that was formerly Brush 34/Utility 34, was sold at GovDeals.com auction for \$10,976. The District will receive \$10,207.68 after 7% auction fees. The process of using GovDeals.com was pretty simple and Chief Blair will be suggesting that we use this process in the future.
- **Summer Mitigation Projects**
Crews have been working with two landowners currently, developing plans to perform hazard mitigation work to their properties, which will help make them more fire resistant to adjacent properties and risk. The District's Unimog loader/backhoe is back from repairs and will be the primary piece of equipment for the work in both areas.
- **New Business**
 - **Readiness Review**
Seasonal personnel have been getting wildland equipment ready for this year's wildland fire season. Readiness includes equipment inventory checks, run all gas powered equipment, fill all water bags, etc.
 - **SDA Conference**
Deputy Chief Ferguson and Administrative Specialist Reeves are in Grand Junction at the Board Member and District Manager training session today and will bring back and report about the session.
 - **State Fire Chief's Meeting**
State Fire Chief's meeting was held in Vail, Monday, June 13, 2016. Part of the agenda was the "formal" rollout of the 36 Volunteer Firefighter Training program and the Textbook that goes along with it. The rest of the meeting was dedicated to legislative actions of the recent state legislature, including the approval of Fire Service Impact Fees, which could be of interest to the District when we go through the next "Boom" cycle.
 - **Financial Strategic Planning**
Chief Blair asked the Board of Directors if there is any interest in following up the General Strategic Planning process with a Financial Strategic Plan. There was some interest early last year amongst board members and in light of the "presumed" downturn in the coming years assessed valuations, Chief Blair believes that there may be some value in preplanning for a long term slump in the local economy. The Board of Directors feels that this should be "set aside" until next year.
- **Staff Report**
 - **District participation in recent events**
Chief Blair and Andrew Duprey discussed 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**
Chief Blair and Andrew Duprey discussed the May 2016 Operations reports.
- **Other**
 - Lammey - Was required, by Garfield County, to install carbon monoxide detectors within 15 feet of each bedroom during a recent project at his home.
 - Foster - Thanked Chief Blair for sending out the flag notices
 - Whelan - Working on Chief Blair's yearly evaluation
 - Heart and Circulatory Trust was discussed and the Board of Directors are still in agreement to be part of this trust
 - The agreement with CRFR regarding the Rullison Station was discussed. There has been no progress with this agreement.

The addition of the 8 Volunteers was discussed. 7 of the approved Volunteers joined the District. 1 decided to not pursue his Membership.

ADJOURN

There being no further business or discussions the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Kim Reeves, Administrative Assistant

Kevin Whelan, Board President

Bill Nelson, Board Secretary/Treasurer