

GRAND VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING MARCH 16, 2016

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

Absent: None

Staff: Tony Rowe, Training Chief Kim Reeves, Administrative Specialist
Caleb Voorhees, Lieutenant

Public: None

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

MINUTES

Minutes from the February 17, 2016 Regular Board Meeting were presented and reviewed. Lammey moved to approve the minutes with corrections. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lammey-The crew did a great job at the garage fire in Valley View.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief's Report – Chief Blair and Deputy Chief Ferguson were in Orlando, Florida attending the Center for Public Safety Excellence Accreditation Boot Camp. Training Chief Rowe gave the Chief's Report.

- **Old Business**
 - **Strategic Plan Update**

Chief Blair has received and forwarded the DRAFT copy of the 2015 Strategic Plan to all members of the Retreat Group. He has received back comments from just a few of the participants. One was to change the picture of the apparatus at the “Former” Station #1 with something that is current, and two comments regarding content. These three pages will be placed in the packet attachments. Ms. Fletcher is looking for Board approval as written or with changes, so she can complete and finalize the plan. Lammey moved to approve the Strategic Plan as presented with Chief Blair's suggested changes. Seconded by Nelson. All approved. The Board gave direction to start assigning staff and dates to the specific items in the Strategic Plan.
 - **Remote Water Supply Tanks**

The two bases have been picked up and moved to the Parachute Training Center. Chief Blair is still working with WPX and Encana on the final release of liability agreements for the specific locations.
 - **Utility 34 Replacement**

Chief Blair has been notified that the replacement for Utility 34 will be delivered to Columbine Ford the first week of April. The District should be able to take possession shortly thereafter.
 - **Gas Monitors**

The gas monitors and testing equipment have been delivered to the District and placed in service.
 - **SCBA Cylinders**

The SCBA cylinders have been delivered to the District.

large apparatus be restricted to those members that have a CDL with tanker endorsement because of the size, weight, center of gravity, cost of apparatus and safety of District Members and community. This will be a major step for the District to undertake. The line staff is supportive of this request. There are currently 23 of the 39 members with CDL's. Chief Blair is a strong proponent of CDL training and public safety and is asking the Board of Director for consensus approval of this requirement as the District moves forward. The District will continue to offer CDL training as an approved District training course for Class B licensure only. This subject was tabled to the April Board Meeting as the Board of Directors want input from Chief Blair and Deputy Chief Ferguson.

- **ISO Upgrades and an Auto Response Plan for the Rulison Area**

Chief Blair has tasked Deputy Chief Ferguson to get in touch with ISO and get the Rulison Fire Station graded for insurance consideration in the Rulison Area. This was successful and now residents in the area are able to receive the 3Y classification within 5 miles of that station. This rating is only to the District's boundary. Chief Blair is working with Chief Morgan, CRFR to develop a "formal" Auto Response Plan for the Rulison area so that both fire districts are co-responding to all structure fires within approximately 1 ½ miles of the common boundary. We currently do this now, but we request mutual aid for insurance and liability reasons. This plan would ensure a prompt response to the area by both Districts and would assist residents living within CRFR that are within 5 miles of the Rulison Fire Station with lower fire insurance coverage. Chief Blair is seeking consensus approval to move forward with the concept and plan. The final Auto Response Plan would be reviewed and approved by both Fire District's BODs prior to any implementation. The Board of Directors gave direction to move forward with an Auto Response plan.

- **Emergency Response Plan for GVFPD and the Parachute/Battlement Mesa Communities**

As a result of the Strategic Planning process and the fact that the District is starting the accreditation process, Chief Blair is requesting permission to outsource the ERP for the community. If this becomes the direction of the Board, Chief Blair will seek sample plans and RFPs for our community and bring back to the BOD for further discussion and review. The Board of Directors gave direction to move forward with contacting outside companies to get information on what is offered and what is available.

- **Moving the Regular GVFPD Board of Director's Meeting**

Chief Blair is suggesting to the Board of Directors that the April Board Meeting be moved from the regularly scheduled date of April 20th, 2016. This will allow Board members the ability to attend the 4th Annual Energy & Environment Symposium Oil and Gas Education for Local Government. The symposium is scheduled for April 20th and 21st. Chief Blair, Deputy Chief Ferguson and one other BOD member, to date, have expressed a desire to attend. Nelson moved that the April Board Meeting be moved to April 27, 2016. Seconded by Lammey. All approved.

➤ **Staff Report**

- **District participation in recent events**

Training Chief Rowe 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**

Training Chief Rowe discussed the February 2016 Operations reports.

- **Election Update**

Kim Reeves advised the Board of Directors that Keith Lammey and Kevin Whelan were the only two self nominations returned for the two seats up for election on the Board of Directors. Therefore the election will be canceled and the required notices have been posted. Resolution 2016-001 "cancellation of Election and Declaration Deeming Candidates Elected" will need to be approved by the Board of Directors. Foster moved to approve Resolution 2016-001. Seconded by Lammey. All approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

President Whelan made a motion that the Board of Directors hold an Executive Session per CRS-246-402(4) related to the discussion of the purchase, acquisition, lease transfer, or sale of real, personal, or other property interest. Session attendance Whelan, Lammey, Anderson, Nelson, Foster and Rowe. Executive session began at 10:36 a.m.

The Executive Session was concluded at 10:53 a.m. and the Regular Board Meeting resumed.

There was no direction give by the Board of Directors following the Executive Session.

➤ **Other**

Foster: What is the procedure for someone to listen to the recording of an Executive Session? It is believed that there must be a court order, but Kim Reeves will get the confirmation of the correct procedure for the April Board Meeting.

Whelan: Bill Harding with Glenwood Fire has revealed that he has cancer. It is believed that this will fall under the new cancer statue, Bill has stated that the insurance companies are fighting this. Please keep Bill in your prayers.

Whelan: Thanked Keith Lammey for his 4 years of service on the Board of Directors and for self nominating himself for another 4 years. Lammey expressed the same thanks to Kevin Whelan.

ADJOURN

There being no further business or discussions the meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

Kim Reeves, Administrative Assistant

Kevin Whelan, Board President

Bill Nelson, Board Secretary/Treasurer