

GRAND VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING May 15, 2013

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

Absent: Kevin Whelan (5/2016, 1st Term)

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

Public: Lynn Shore

President Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Lammey moved to excuse Kevin Whelan. Seconded by Edgerton. All Approved.

MINUTES

Minutes from the April 17, 2013 Regular Board Meeting were presented and reviewed. Edgerton moved to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Lammey. All approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial reports for April 2013 were reviewed and discussed. Lammey moved to approve the financial reports, subject to audit. Seconded by Edgerton. All approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Keith Lammey stated that Chief Blair “Did a great job with his presentation at the BMSA Meeting.”

Ted Anderson was asked by Michelle Foster to inform the District know that she is glad to see postings of events on the electronic sign.

FIRE CHIEFS REPORT

➤ **Update on Aerial Apparatus Acquisition**

Chief Blair updated the BOD on the status of the aerial Apparatus Acquisition. The District received the contract and financial arrangements are currently being made to wire transfer the funds.

➤ **Update on Parachute Training Center**

Final grading and compacting has taken place at the site. Kuersten Construction began the concrete pour on Tuesday, May 14, 2013. Lynn Shore presented a slide show of the current construction of the pad. Concrete placement is anticipated to take 6 days total.

➤ **Review the added sections of the Membership Handbook by the District’s Attorney and approve such**

The revised Membership Handbook was sent to the District’s Attorney for review. He has added two additional sections to the Handbook. The first one addresses the use (or disallowed use) of recreational marijuana as a result of last year’s passage of the State of Colorado’s allowance of certain amounts for recreational uses. The second section addresses the latest social media concerns. Edgerton moved to approve the Member Handbook as amended. Seconded by Lammey. All approved.

➤ **Automatic Aid discussion**

Chief Blair asked the Board of Directors for some direction as to if there is a need to proceed with an automatic aid agreement with Colorado River Fire & Rescue or if our current mutual aid system is working and sufficient. The Board of Directors decided that there is no need to take further action to change the District's current mutual aid system.

➤ **Update the Board of Directors on Membership issues that have been brought to the Chief's attention.**

Chief Blair updated the Board of Directors as to some of the internal issues that have been brought forward as it pertains to morale problems and how he and staff are working through them.

➤ **Other**

- August 17, 2013 is the next insurance seminar. The topic will be "Protecting Your District in a Crisis".
- Garfield County has signed a ban for the sale or use of fireworks.
- Approved outdoor fireplaces/fire pits are acceptable without a permit. BMSA does not allow any open burning even in an approved fire pit/fireplace. Burn Barrels are not approved.
- Chief Blair will be attending a Wildfire prep workshop on May 31, 2013.
- The 2013 VFA Grant was successful and the District has been awarded a matching grant of \$2600.00

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**

The April 2013 Operations report was not completed.

➤ **Ambulance Billing Rates Update**

The estimated costs related to various types of EMS related calls and transports were discussed. The Board of Directors has decided not to adjust the current billing rates.

OTHER

Ted Anderson-The Metro District is starting to flush fire hydrants. There will be a rig pad being built across from the RV Park and they will be loading water trucks from the hydrant above the cemetery. The Metro District had a 2" waterline break that is being repaired.

ADJOURN

There being no further business or discussions the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Kim Reeves, Administrative Assistant

Bill Nelson, Board President

Kevin Whelan, Board Secretary/Treasurer