

GRAND VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 28, 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 Rob Ferguson, Deputy Fire Chief
Kim Reeves, Administrative Specialist Chris Davidson, Captain
Tony Wade, Firefighter Chris Jackson, Firefighter
Christina Gose, Firefighter

Public: None

President Whelan called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

MINUTES

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

Whelan discussed the September 20, 2016 Special Board Meeting and the resolutions that were approved during the meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADOPTION OF DIRECTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Whelan made a motion to address any issues identified in the independent consultants report that are necessary for the benefit of the organization and Fire District as a whole. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

➤ FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

▪ Old Business

▪ Emergency Response Plan

Chief Blair updated the Board of Directors on the progress being made on the Emergency Response Plan. The Draft copy was sent to the District and disseminated amongst the All Hazards Committee for review on September 16th. Comments are due by the 30th and the plan review workshop has been scheduled for October 6th.

▪ Member Handbook

Chief Blair recommended that this discussion be tabled until the October meeting so that the consultant's recommendations can be included in the Handbook revision.

▪ Parachute Fire Station Land Purchase Update

The District is still waiting for the corrected certified appraisal to be written. The District's attorney has been working closely with Arnie Butler & Company in order to push this project along.

- **MOU with Colorado River Fire Rescue for responses in Rulison Area**
Chief Blair is working with Chief Jones, the new Fire Chief of Colorado River Fire Rescue on the proposed changes to the original Draft agreement. It should be ready for the October Board of Directors meeting.
- **Certification Pay**
The meeting with the compensation and performance committee was discussed. The Board of Directors would like the committee to meet again with more staff involved and discuss a solution to the problems presented with the certification pay.

- **New Business**

- **2017 Budget discussion**

Chief Blair presented a rough draft budget for general discussion. Chief Blair will be seeking guidance from the BOD for specific thoughts on line items changes for the coming 2017 Budgets. The District is facing a 47% cut in collectable revenues due to the downturn in the oil & gas markets. Chief Blair will have rough draft for all three of the District's funds at the BOD meeting for review.

Whelan made a motion to list Engine 32 with govdeals.com to be sold and to remove it from service until it is sold. Seconded by Nelson. All approved.

The Board of Directors recommended that the DFPC (Forest Service) truck be returned.

- **Other**

➤ **Staff Report**

- **Old Business**

- **District participation in recent events**

Deputy Chief Ferguson 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**

Deputy Chief Ferguson discussed the August 2016 Operations reports.

- **New Business**

- **Lieutenant and Full Time Position**

Deputy Chief Ferguson asked the Board of Directors to make a decision to move forward with the Lieutenants promotion and hiring of a full time staff member to cover to current vacancies. The Board of Directors will address this after the Executive Session.

- **Other**

- **Insurance Coverage Options**

Administration Specialist Reeves advised the Board of Directors that there will be a limited response and information available until the October 19, 2016 Board meeting.

- **Peer Assessment Presentation**

Fire Fighter Wade discussed Peer Assessment and how it could be beneficial to the District. The Board of Directors would like to verify if this program would affect Liability Insurance rates. The Board of Directors will discuss the program at the October 19, 2016 Board Meeting.

- **Union Formation Information**

Captain Davidson, on behalf of the Membership, presented information on the new Union that was formed at GVFPD. The Union would like to be recognized as Local 5106. The Board of Directors would like more information and for the discussion regarding the Union to be tabled to the October 19, 2016 Board Meeting.

➤ **Board of Director Items**

Whelan discussed information the SDA Conference and the benefits of attending.

Martin Goughnour introduced himself and discussed the task he was given by the Board of Directors.

Whelan moved that the Board of Directors move into executive session per CRS-246-402(2)(F) for the discussion of a personnel matter and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees. Executive Session to include Chief Blair and Martin Goughnour. Seconded by Nelson. All approved. The Board of Directors moved into executive session at 11:48 a.m.

The executive session concluded and the Regular Board Meeting resumed at 1:49 p.m.

Whelan discussed the next steps regarding the report from Martin Goughnour.

The Board of Directors gave direction to move forward with filling the open Lieutenant position and the full time position if required.

ADJOURN

There being no further business or discussions the meeting was adjourned at 1:54 pm.

Kim Reeves, Administrative Assistant

Kevin Whelan, Board President

Bill Nelson, Board Secretary/Treasurer