



FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES April 17, 2024

CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 17:06 hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Roll Call:

Chairman John Gomes: **Present**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Present (arrived late)**
Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Present via zoom**
Member at Large Terry Murphy: **Present**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Present**

OTHERS PRESENT: Others present included Fire Chief Tyler Lambert, Executive Assistant Sharon Ellis via Zoom, Captain Robert Dungan, Engineer Eddie DiMarco, firefighter paramedic Drew Maurer, firefighters Greg Bodine, Roy McMurtry, Jonas Johnsen, and Abbie Yarger. Members of the public included Tim Northrup.

MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on March 20, 2024.

Member at Large Terry Murphy: **Yes**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Yes**
Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**
Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND BILLS: A motion to approve the financial reports for March 31st, as presented.

Member at Large Terry Murphy: **Yes**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Yes**
Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**
Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**

PUBLIC FORUM & CORRESPONDENCE: BOD Gomes read aloud "Thank You" notes from City of Las Animas regarding wildland coverage & thank you note to B-shift regarding rescue of pet parrot.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Director Gomes discussed possible grant to fund "Chipper Program."
- Directors Gomes discussed the captain's meeting and that anyone who is on / off shift can attend the meeting. This will be at no overtime time.

WOODLAND PARK PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS REPORT: N/A

EVT REPORT:

- Mitchel shop management has been implemented.
- Instructed a basic pumping to Four Mile Fire and an Aerial firefighter level inspection class to C shift.
- Updated BOD on HB5156.
- Discussed newspaper article in Ute Pass Courier.
- Discussed wildland certification.
- Assisted USFS on a pump problem.
- Discussed online payment with app "Square."
- Attended Vector Check-it software presentation regarding daily inspections.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

- Captain Dungan discussed monthly call volume, part-time stats, and training hours, and unique calls.
- Captain Dungan discussed recertification & training.
- Captain Dungan discussed new bunker gear racks & fresh air ventilation for mechanic bay.
- Captain Dungan discussed his National Fire Academy. He attended HazMat classes. Captain Dungan updated the BOD on the equipment we will need to purchase and / or update.

- Captain Dungan discussed moisture for the district. Chief Lambert and Firefighter Wells will be taking samples.
- Captain Dungan stated Firefighter McMurtry scheduled the Life Scan for Oct 14-18th.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Deputy Chief Rial is out of the office this week for training so Chief Lambert will present his report.
- Chief Lambert discussed CPR training.
- Chief Lambert discussed the status of Firefighters Safety & Disease Grant. Our department received a \$20,000.00 grant to use for new bunker gear. Ten sets of bunker gear have been ordered.
- Chief stated that Deputy Chief Rial and Firefighter Wells are at FDIC (Fire Department Instructors Conference) this week. They will be bringing back various training subjects and new techniques and innovations in the fire service.
- Chief Lambert stated that captains and paramedics are working on response policies for General Response, Hazmat Response, Wildland Response and EMS Response.
- Chief Lambert announced that Karen Bodine has graciously stepped into the role of coordinating public outreach and events for the department.
- Chief Lambert stated that the department is gearing up for Wildland season. RT 130 refresher course will be taking place this month.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Chief Lambert stated that the land sold, and the district received \$102,213.00 after fees to realtor.
- Chief Lambert stated the DDA has not presented the district with the grant of \$150,000.00. Chief Lambert stated the DDA attorney will need to give approval of the donation.
- Chief Lambert will deposit the income from the sale of the land into the money market account until the CD options have been reviewed.
- Chief Lambert discussed Lion Camp 30,000 water tank.
- Chief Lambert updated the BOD that we will receive \$429,240.00 (state reimbursement program) in July.
- Chief Lambert stated the "Pine Needle" program will happen the week of May 11th-18th.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A

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MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned @ 17:54 hrs.

A handwritten signature in purple ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke.

Secretary of the Board
Dave Paul