



FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 24, 2025

CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 16:00 hours.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Roll Call:

Chairman John Gomes: **Present**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Present at 16:15**
Secretary / Treasurer Dave Paul: **Present**
Member at Large Terry Murphy: **Present**
Member at Large Larry Bittenwieser: **Present**

OTHERS PRESENT: Others present included Chief Tyler Lambert, Deputy Chief David Rial, Executive Assistant Sharon Ellis (zoom), EVT Firefighter Jonas Johnsen, Captain Brian Stimits Engineer Eddie DiMarco, firefighters Drew Maurer, Greg Bodine, Roy McMurtry & Ian Haas.

MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on Dec 13, 2024.

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

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

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

PUBLIC FORUM & CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Directors Murphy thanked the Chief and Deputy Chief for their hard work on the Christmas Dinner.

WOODLAND PARK PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS REPORT: N/A

EVT REPORT:

- Firefighter / EVT Johnsen stated all apparatus are in service.
- Firefighter / EVT Johnsen discussed Vector Check- It and thanked Firefighter / Paramedic Drew Maurer for his assistance in setting up the system.
- Firefighter / EVT Johnsen stated that Firefighter / Paramedic Drew Maurer and himself have applied for a FEMA grant. This grant would provide money for a new Ladder Truck if the district were approved.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

- Captain Stimits discussed part-time hours, call volume and specifics on three calls the crews ran during the last month.
- Captain Stimits stated a picture of the Engine was displayed in the BME calendar.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Deputy Chief Rial discussed new camera system for zoom meetings. South Central Region purchased the system for the department. A big thank you to Firefighter / Paramedic Drew Maurer and Firefighter / EVT Johnsen for their work in setting the new system up.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed the Engineer promotional process held today. Roy McMurtry & Greg Bodine were the two candidates. Congratulations to Greg Bodine for his promotion to Engineer.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed the application process for the open fire fighter position. The department will hire one new person by the end of February with a start date in early March.

- Deputy Chief Rial discussed training hours. Deputy Chief Rial discussed training to include DJ from Common Spirit trained A shift on Airways, Overview of 2025 EMS and Fire Training schedule, firefighter training covered SCBA's and Donning Bunker Gear, Engineer training covered Winter Driving and Pumps Ops, Captains training covered the first 5 minutes of an incident. Cadre training will cover EV Blanket Deployment.
- Deputy Chief Rial stated the department has completed seventeen policies and two procedures.
- Deputy Chief Rial stated that Captain Stimits has developed a new employee evaluation form which will be sent out next week and due by February 28, 2025.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed the Christmas party on December 6th. Awards were awarded to Part-Time Firefighter of the Year, Karen Bodine, Firefighter of the Year, James Wells, and the Chief's Award to Jonas Johnsen. The department also recognized the staff for milestones of years with the department.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Chief Lambert discussed the possibility of purchasing mechanics service vehicle from Teller County. This truck is already set up with a compressor and box for tools. Teller County has asked the department to make an offer based on reasonable value.
- Chief Lambert stated that he has contacted three companies to give us a quote on Impact Fee Study for the district.
- Chief Lambert stated Colorado Springs Fire Department conducted 73 Inspections in 2024.
- Chief Lambert updated the BOD on the status on the Congressional Direct Spending grant for the training tower and stated we should get an answer by the end of March.
- Chief Lambert discussed the expense of charging an electric car or diesel engines at the station. The department can implement a policy if needed.
- Chief Lambert discussed the departments Active 911 paging system. We may upgrade of the system to Chief360.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

- Approve 2025 Meeting Schedule.

A motion was made to adopt the 2025 Meeting Scheule as presented.

Secretary/ Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**

Member at Large Terry Murphy: **Yes**

Member at Large Larry Bутtenwieser: **Yes**

Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Yes**
Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**

- Discussed Conflict of Interest.

Chairman John Gomes: **None**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **None**
Secretary/ Treasurer Dave Paul: **None**
Member at Large Terry Murphy: **None**
Member at Large Larry Buttenwieser: **None**

- Elect Board Positions.

A motion was made keep the Board positions the same.

Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**
Secretary/ Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**
Member at Large Terry Murphy: **Yes**
Member at Large Larry Buttenwieser: **Yes**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Yes**

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

§24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S, personnel matter to discuss 2024 evaluation of Chief Lambert.

A motion was made to end the Regular Session and enter Executive Session at 17:24 with a five-minute break prior to entering the executive session.

Chairman John Gomes: **Yes**
Secretary/ Treasurer Dave Paul: **Yes**
Member at Large Terry Murphy: **Yes**
Member at Large Larry Buttenwieser: **Yes**
Vice Chairman Dan Olson: **Yes**

Executive Session ended at 17.45 hrs.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting was adjourned @ 17:45hrs.



Secretary of the Board
Dave Paul