



# FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 17, 2024

**CALLED TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 17:00 hours.

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Roll Call:**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Others present included Deputy Chief David Rial, Executive Assistant Sharon Ellis (zoom), Captain Robert Dungan, Engineer Eddie DiMarco, firefighters Roy McMurtry, Drew Maurer, and James Wells (on call).

**MINUTES:**

A motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on June 18, 2024.

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

**FINANCIAL REPORTS AND BILLS:** A motion to approve the financial reports for June 30<sup>th</sup>, as presented.

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

**PUBLIC FORUM & CORRESPONDENCE:**

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

- Directors Gomes stated that the Special District Association (SDA) will hold their annual conference September 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> in Keystone. Director Gomes encouraged all BOD to attend if their schedules permit.
- Director Gomes updated the BOD on the Congressionally Directed Spending grant. Our department has moved forward to the next level of approval. We should expect to get the final approval or denial by the 2024 winter. The BOD requested Chief Lambert research the legal requirement if the training tower were to be built.

**WOODLAND PARK PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS REPORT: N/A**

**EVT REPORT: N/A**

**CAPTAIN'S REPORT:**

- Deputy Chief Rial discussed the structure fire. The crew did an excellent job controlling the fire.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed the deployment to the Oak Ridge Wildland Fire.

**DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT:**

- Deputy Chief Rial discussed training events.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed operations updates on policies. The department has gone live on Vectra Check-It.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed the Oak Ridge Wildland Fire. Deputy Chief Rial stated that we are currently have placed our Tender and B-73 on board.
- Deputy Chief Rial stated Firefighter James Wells has completed his Engine Boss task book for wildland deployments.
- Deputy Chief Rial discussed the continued training for Vectra Scheduling with Chief Lambert, Sharon & himself.

- Deputy Chief Rial discussed the “Old Fashioned 4<sup>th</sup> of July” and upcoming events to be held in the City of Woodland Park.
- Deputy Chief Rial stated that we have received the \$20,000.00 check from the State for the Firefighter Safety & Disease Prevention grant.
- Per BOD Gomes request, Deputy Chief Rial reached out to other departments regarding Wildland grants. Our department is currently exploring the State Forest Service Capacity grant and the El Pomar grant.

**CHIEF’S REPORT: N/A (Chief Lambert in Boise, ID)**

**OLD BUSINESS: N/A**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Executive Assistant Sharon Ellis stated the 2023 draft Audit will be emailed to the BOD for review and approval at the August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A**

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** The meeting was adjourned @ 17:27 hrs.



Secretary of the Board  
Dave Paul