

PCFPD September 11, 2024 Board Minutes

7:05 PM. Station 2

1 Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President David Bliss at 7:05 pm. Bette Blinde, Bob Busch, Paul McGraw and Dan Bond were present. Additionally, Chief Hugh Collins and Paula Collins, attended along with 8 guests.

2 Minutes Approval:

A copy of July's Minutes was e-mailed to board members to evaluate. Motion to approve made by Bette Blinde and seconded by Dan Bond, passed 5-0.

3 Treasurer's report:

Bette Blinde reported that the property tax received was \$350,790.27, we have received the majority due. Total income was \$426,723.87, expenses were \$182,858.46 for an ordinary income of \$243,865.41. Motion to approve made by Dan Bond and seconded by Bob Busch, Paul McGraw asked to discuss the building manager receiving a credit card and his failure to turn over receipts to the Building Committee. Bette Blinde said if district personal have a needs for a credit card one is issued. As for the receipts to the Building Committee the issue was tabled for later discussion. Motion to accept passed 4-1, Paul McGraw voted no.

4 Unfinished business:

Parking Lot: Having gravel hauled in to overlay the parking lot was discussed. Paul McGraw made a motion that the Fire Board pick up 90% of the cost because the district has received \$24,000 from the Forest Service for use of the property, Bob Busch second. The building committee has offered to spread the gravel for their share of the cost, 10 hours of equipment use a value of \$4,000. After discussion it was decided that of the \$7,000 gravel cost, the Fire District would pay \$4,500, UPCA \$1,000, Chapel \$1,000 and OPC \$500. A vote to table Paul McGraw's motion was 3-1. Dan Bond made a

motion for the Fire District to pay \$4,500 Bob Busch second, passed 5-0. The district will pay \$7,000 upfront to get the project going. The Fire District is to be reimbursed \$2,500 later.

LPCA (Lower Poudre Canyon Association) compensation: Tabled until they reply.

Award of grant to obtain Starlink for engines: \$46,000 for emergency Starlink units to be installed on an emergency vehicle at each fire station. The grant will also provide subscriptions for 3 years of service. We will have to track usage time.

5 New business:

Legislation: Bette Blinde reported on the Legislation to reduce property taxes. She said HB24B-101 passed and resolutions 50 and 108 would be removed from the ballot and they would not be on a ballot for 6 years. This will effect future budgets because of income uncertainties. Budget planning 2025: Bette Blinde presented the 2024 budget with the proposed 2025 budget included and went over those figures. We could expect total income of \$400,316 with operating expenses of \$302,495 ending with a net ordinary income of \$97,280. Next month we will have updated revenue information and we will reconcile the new budget, and we will then modify the new budget, and then we will set a time for the public meeting for public comments and in December we will approve it.

Fireman Appreciation Party: CLPFEG will pay for the party at the Mish, Ron Lonneman is to get the party time and date set.

Volunteers needed: Bette Blinde asked board members for help with various duties. She requested help with DOLA, State Accidental death and disability payout amounts, US Government Registration, and the News Letter. Dave Bliss will work with DOLA and Dan Bond with the News Letter.

Rist Canyon Festival: Bette Blinde, Hugh and Paula Collins attended with a Boot and stuffed giveaway animals and received \$928.70 in donations.

6 Additional reports:

Chief:

18 Calls in August

County lifted fire ban 8/31

Purchased drone for Ambassador Program with grant funds

Ordered Starlink tr/ini for Ambassador program with grant funds

Purchased new controller for existing drone

E622 will need new front tires prior to snow plow addition

Received new bunker coats and pants for new volunteers at Station 1

Need to order paging transmitter for Station 1 (\$9000 est). \$9,000 is above his spending limit so a motion by Dan Bond, second Bob Busch to increase the spending authority passed 5-0

Working with other community volunteers to build tool library shed

Snow Plow for 8622 to be installed in October \$9,500 installation cost paid by community member.

EMS: Ordered an airway manikin

Station 1: 611 new battery

Station 2: 621 new battery and thanks to Jake Udel

Station 3: 2 calls

Station 4: 641 new battery

CLPFEG: Total income \$104,442. Total expense \$4,917, Net Income \$99,524

Building Report: nothing

Wild Fire Alliance: nothing

7 Adjournment:

Dan Bond moved to adjourn, Paul McGraw second, motion passed 5-0 at 8:52 pm.

Submitted by Bob Busch, Secretary