

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BLACK FOREST FIRE/RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Black Forest Fire/Rescue Protection District held a regular board meeting on April 19, 2017, at Black Forest Fire Station One, such meeting duly posted for public notice. A quorum present, the meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

Directors present: PJ Langmaid/J. Hinton/J. McConnellogue/R. Nearhoof
Directors absent: R. McMorrان
Also present: B. Jack/fire department personnel/community members

Roll Call: Chair Rick McMorrان absent; meeting chaired by Vice Chair PJ Langmaid. **Upon motion made and seconded, Mr. McMorrان's absence was excused; motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comment: Wayne Krzmenian, the secretary of the board for Fire Fighters Local 4502, reported this board has filled all positions, and will be assisting the Wescott Fire District with an election question for a mill levy increase in November.

Minutes A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2017 regular board meeting; motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports Treasurer Hinton reported that the district now owns station 2 with payment in full of the loan for this building. All paperwork has been completed and copies received. All finances are in good order. Concerning the investment account at Wells Fargo, there was a discussion of whether to continue using this investment firm. Mr. Hinton advised that First National Bank, where the District's checking account is held, does not have an investment arm. Due to state laws governing where a special district may invest its funds, it was decided to maintain the Wells Fargo account at this time. **Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the board approved the financial report; motion carried unanimously.**

Operations Report Given by Chief Jack. (A written report was prepared by Chief Jack, copy attached to the minutes.)

Response/Service

- 93 responses in last month and 25 transports; the fire ban has now been lifted, but the fire department was unable to burn any slash at La Foret due to fire ban and a subsequent lack of snow. There are several small sawmill operators in the area who are free to retrieve as many logs as possible.

Training

- 110 training hours in last month.
- Funding is available for three attendees at a peer support training class, as peer support groups become prevalent to provide mental health support for fire fighters; Director Nearhoof reported he has spoken to Father Andre at Our Lady of the Pines Catholic Church, who will be able to assist as a chaplain for the department.
- S130/190 class starting soon.

EMS

- It was noted that AMR has increased their mutual aid responses in multiple districts, and a representative of AMR advised that this is occurring due to their lack of paramedics and the need to utilize other agency ambulances.

Apparatus and Equipment

- Board was asked to consider selling the F150 4x4 truck used for snowplowing. The truck is out of service now, is a 1999-2000, with about 89,000 miles. The plow has been removed, as well as all other District equipment. **A motion was made to sell Vehicle 752 in a bidding process, with a minimum bid of \$1,500, to be listed for 30 days; motion was seconded and approved unanimously.**
- Chief Jack will present information at next month's board meeting regarding apparatus replacement.
- The ambulances have passed their county inspections.

Facilities and Grounds

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- There has been no follow up from residents living in the Cowpoke area regarding exclusion from the District.

Other

- March staffing was at 5.95 operational staff per day.
- Chief Jack reported on recent information for developments being planned in the Vollmer and Arroyo Roads area, noting variable lot sizing and that distributed water systems will be provided for some portions of the developments, while others may use wells.
- A resident on Arrowhead Road was approved for a driveway alteration after an inspection by Chief Jack and agreement on removing some trees and access guarantee.
- A meeting with Black Forest Together resolved cooperative plans for CWPP actions and preparation of a report.

Old Business A meeting with the County attorney regarding impact fees for special districts will be followed up by area fire chiefs meeting to discuss the issues to be covered in an intergovernmental agreement and the need for individual fire districts to represent themselves.

New Business Chief Rebitski had been absent for a class, which was preempted by a family emergency surrounding his mother's health. Use of the FMLA procedure will be examined.

Regarding the shortage of paramedics, the BFFPD is also being affected. Newly hired paramedics sometimes move on for career advancement and some are on medical leave for injuries. ALS coverage is being maintained by use of part time medics or overtime hours.

Reports on Workshops and Meetings Nothing to report.

Correspondence Nothing to report.

Future Meetings The next regular board meeting will be May 17, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment There being no further business, **and upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried,** the board adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Minutes transcribed from tape recording provided by Chief Jack.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Arkowski, Secretary