

Minutes East Grand Fire Protection District Board of Directors Meeting
January 25, 2017

Board members present: Frank Dominguez, Mark Pappas, Peggy Woods, Steve Loo.

Staff present: Todd Holzwarth, Dennis Soles, Steve Waldorf, Adam Gosey, Jed Henry and Debbe Knutson

Frank Dominguez called the meeting to order at 6:22 pm.

Frank asks if there is any public comment. There is no public.

The December minutes were discussed, with no changes noted.

- ❖ Peggy Woods moved to approve the December minutes as written. Steve Loo seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of financials. At present, the Grand County Treasurer is holding all taxes prior to the settlement of the YMCA tax case. There have been 6 Impact fees already in January. Peggy asks about the Workers Comp line item being over. The check was cut in December, will be assigned to the 2017 budget.

Discussion of incentive program. Peggy asks if District's tax liability is reflected in the 35K for the program. It is not, though the payroll tax line item was increased to cover these taxes. Some of the newest volunteers are bringing new energy and enthusiasm to the volunteers. Some were here only short time but allowed to qualify for the incentive program due to their participation. Steve and Jed would like to distribute checks one-on-one, with a brief conversation about volunteer's goals and opportunities.

Todd addresses the proposals received from the banks in the area. No one matches the pre-approval time for ACH transactions (i.e.: payroll) that Wells Fargo has. Todd's recommendation is to stay with Wells Fargo.

- ❖ Steve Loo moved to approve the bills. Peggy Woods seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Action items: Adoption of Annual Meeting Time, Day, Place and Posting of Same
Resolution 2017-01-25 Designate Public Place on Posting Meeting
Resolution 2017-01-25 Posting for Meeting
Resolution 2017-01-25 Regularly Scheduled Meeting

- ❖ Steve Loo moved to adopt above named resolutions. Peggy Woods seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Dennis gave the fire prevention report. Things are slow and will probably be through February. Continues inspections of existing buildings. Updating keys in Knox boxes. Moving forward slowly on adoption of Fire Code. Was impressed by number and quality of applicants for Office Manager position.

Steve gave the training report. Trainings continue with good attendance, especially from newest recruits. Working on making changes to requirements for "good standing" as a volunteer. Adding call requirement in addition to shifts and truck checks. Will look at these figures on a 6 month schedule. This accommodates some volunteers who have seasonal work schedules. Incentive points for outside District Training over 40 hours will be available. Volunteers had input into these changes. Members are participating and morale is good. Steve is working on a social media plan with Linda. He is also working to upgrade his DTR training.

Todd gave the chief's report. The 2017 budget has been filed and acknowledged as such by the State. The County and Y have met. The next meeting will be with the board of directors for the YMCA. The Gallagher amendment will be adjusted next year. The percentage of residential valuation will go down, affecting the District's mill levy. The District has "de-bruced" so that will help some. A Pension board election will be coming up shortly. Staff is currently looking at 4 final candidates for the Office Manager position. Todd hopes to make a decision by this coming Friday. Tom Bumgardner, Hot Sulphur Fire Chief, is negotiating with 3 of the District's for the position of mechanic. He is currently performing maintenance on a contract basis. Tom was a CDOT mechanic and worked with the Colorado Division of Fire Prevention. Granby and Grand Lake are working with East Grand on this potential shared part time job position. The water project in Tabernash is moving slowly with board changes. There is still interest in pursuing this project. Todd indicated there had been 35 calls already in January.

Frank asks if there is any public comment. There is no public.

Frank discusses an idea proposed to him about the District possibly building housing for Emergency Services personnel. He cited the Town of Winter Park's apartment project. Lots of questions concerning funding, who would be involved, etc. He asks the Board to keep investigating possibilities for the future. He requests a motion to move to executive session.

- ❖ Frank Dominguez moved to move to executive session per C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4) (f) personnel matters, Todd Holzwarth review. Rick Kramer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board meeting moved to executive session at 8:00 pm.

The Board returned from executive session at 8:27.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Frank Dominguez

Rick Kramer

Margaret Woods

Mark Pappas

Steve Loo