

Minutes East Grand Fire Protection District  
Board of Directors Meeting  
November 22nd, 2017

Board of Directors Present: President Frank Dominguez, Vice President Mark Pappas, Secretary Richard Kramer, Director Peggy Woods.

Staff Present: Chief Todd Holzwarth, Assistant Chief Dennis Soles, Training Coordinator Steve Waldorf, Volunteer Coordinator Jed Henry, Office Manager Kristen Rybij.

There was no public present at this meeting.

Director Frank Dominguez opened the Board of Directors meeting at 18:09 pm. There was a quorum of Directors present.

Frank asked if there were any additions to the agenda. There was not.

Frank asked if there was any public comment. There was no public present.

The October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were reviewed with no changes noted.

- ❖ Director Peggy Woods moved to approve the October minutes as written. Director Richard Kramer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of Financials: Todd gave a brief rundown of our current financials, noting that some line items are down or non-existent this year simply because we didn't need to expend those funds as previously anticipated. Todd also noted that Legal and Election are a little over budget due to having to deal with some extra minor things. Frank talked about the importance of staying on track with the District's Truck / Capital Equipment Replacement Schedule. Replacements for 2018 and 2019 were looked at. There are three vehicles in line for replacement with Rescue Engine 492 being the most important to replace. The other two vehicles are small and are holding their value and mechanical integrity well. Steve and Jed explained that they are trying to standardize the future fleet to make it easier to train new Driver Operators so the replacement research process has taken longer than expected. These replacements have fallen a bit behind schedule. The funds still exist for what we need to replace, we just need to reallocate them yearly on our budget if not used. We also budget our reserves every year in the case of an emergency capital equipment replacement.

- ❖ Director Peggy Woods moved to pay the bills. Director Richard Kramer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Frank requested a motion to open the Public Budget Hearing.

- ❖ Director Peggy Woods moved to open the Public Budget Hearing. Director Richard Kramer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Public Budget Hearing opened at 18:24 p.m.

Frank asked three times if there was any public comment regarding the 2018 budget for East Grand Fire Protection District #4. There was no public present.

- ❖ Director Peggy Woods moved to close the Public Budget Hearing. Director Richard Kramer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Public Budget Hearing closed at 18:25 p.m.

Chief's Report: Todd discussed the Tabernash Rural Water Project and its completion. It is almost ready to go although water is not hooked up yet. Todd addressed a recent request for financial assistance from Philip Vandernail, the mayor of Fraser. They are asking for help with additional looping in their water system. Todd asked the Board for direction as to what we should do next. It was agreed upon that the District needs more information before any decisions are made. The probability of this project increasing fire flows was discussed. It is tabled until we have more information from the Mayor. Todd touched on the success of flying the flag for the Veteran's Day Breakfast and Denver East Grand Medical's trauma level 5 recertification. Some recent calls were discussed. We are over 300 calls for the year, up 40 from last year at this time.

Fire Prevention Report: Dennis indicated that there is still an abundance of new construction going on. The Fireside Market and Eatery is close to opening soon. Dennis explained that every month he adds an existing structure to his inspection load while also making it a goal to add a newly constructed building as well. This month he added Wendys. Adding new buildings makes it easier to keep things compliant from the beginning. Granby has adopted The International Code Council's (ICC) Family of Codes, Winter Park and Fraser are currently in the process of adopting them. Once all of the towns adopt them it will be taken in front of the Board of County Commissioners. Timber Haus Lodge is an on-going project. It is currently safe enough to house up to 10 people and they are moving forward with improvements. They have hired a professional to analyze the safety issues of the property. It will be an on-going process and as improvements are made, the number of tenants allowed to stay at the lodge will increase.

Training Officer Report: There have been some pretty exciting trainings in November. Snowblowers were donated to Jed. These were used to put on a Man vs. Machine training complete with extrication of fake limbs. The Warm Store donated a used wood burning stove to the department. This was used to simulate a chimney fire. It was very educational as most volunteers were not familiar with old fashioned wood burning stoves. The tubing hill has been very busy so they did a Sked and full body vacuum splint training which is very helpful for injuries occurring on the

hill. For Officer's training, they did a walk-through of The Fireside Market and Eatery and the Sitzmark South condos. This came in handy when we received our first call for them this week regarding their elevator. Mutual Aid training this month was a tender shuttle in Sunset Ridge. The HOA of Sunset Ridge have been talking about installing a cistern in the neighborhood since water is scarce in this area. This training provided actual tender shuttle times and statistics. These can be used to support the importance of the cistern installation. Steve and Jed have been working with the volunteers to help finish some state certifications and task books. We have 16 probies with 3 expected to be off probation this month. The Training Officers can now focus their energy on our Driver Operators and Officers. Business as usual with truck / equipment maintenance and replacement except for the radios. Radios are supposed to be maintained every three years and ours are going on eight without maintenance. Steve was granted permission from all other County fire departments to have all the radios maintained at once. QDS Communications will be here next week to do that.

Board Business / Action Items: Frank added the Red Dirt meeting to the Board business. It was learned in the Red Dirt meeting that Granby fire is not on board with pursuing YMCA land for a residential housing program. Frank then discussed moving forward with the idea of obtaining YMCA land for a first responder mutual training center. For now the focus will be to continue building Red Dirt Station's reserves while growing the idea of a mutual training center.

- ❖ Director Richard Kramer moved to adjourn the meeting. Director Peggy Woods seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 19:30 pm.

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