

Minutes East Grand Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Meeting
April 25th, 2018

Board Directors Present: President Frank Dominguez, Vice President Mark Pappas, Treasurer Steve Loo, Secretary Richard Kramer, Director Peggy Woods, Newly Elected Director Garth Hein.

Staff Present: Chief Todd Holzwarth, Assistant Chief Dennis Soles, Fire Technician Adam Gosey, Training Coordinator Steve Waldorf.

Public Present: Brad Holzwarth.

Director Frank Dominguez opened the Board of Directors meeting at 18:30 pm. There was a quorum of Directors present.

Frank asked if there were any additions to the agenda, Todd added that we will need a motion regarding the appropriation of funds for the purchase of the new 481. This was added to Board Business.

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

The March 28th, 2018 minutes were reviewed with no changes noted.

- ❖ Director Mark Pappas moved to approve the March minutes. Director Peggy Woods seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of Financials: Colo Trust is up to 1.78%. The line item for delinquent property taxes is usually zero but we have collected a small amount in March. Todd explained that as soon as we find someone to work on the trucks we will see more expenditures within those line items.

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

Chief's Report: This month has been busy with meetings for the Chief. It has been decided that the new 481 will be a Rosenbauer and we are proceeding with the purchase. 481 will not be purchased in full until May of 2019 with some costs due in 2018. It was discussed that we would like to use some of the remaining 2018 Truck Capital budget for a new 475. It will be similar to the current 475 and will be meant to haul tools, equipment, gear, cars, and used as a vehicle for the acting 450. Steve Waldorf has been working on the purchase with an outfit out of Greely that came highly recommended by local law enforcement and fire agencies. Steve Loo asked if we were replacing 473 this year, as it is on the replacement schedule. We will not be replacing 473. It is still in very good condition and will hold its value better than 475 as it is an F550. Mark asked how much we will have to pay in 2018 for the new 481. We will have to pay 75% of the total cost to receive a discount on the truck. Todd asked if there were any objections to buying the new 475 this year. There were not. Todd explained how his fellow Colorado Fire Chiefs were interviewed on Channel 9. They explained how Gallagher (and TABOR) are essentially "killing" folks. With the ratcheting down of the RAR, fire stations across Colorado cannot financially keep up with the services needed to support the state's growing population. This may lead to unnecessary deaths / injuries and / or loss of property. At this point the current bill that proposes changing the time between RAR evaluations from two years to four year sits at the legislature. The bill will most likely go nowhere as bill introduction currently is at a record high in the Colorado Legislature. Todd explained that he and Adam are currently in the process of analyzing how many residential vs. commercial properties are in our District and what this means tax wise for us. Frank asked when the County is going to do something about all the short-term rentals that are profiting as businesses but taxed as residential. Todd noted that it is very hard with the way that the laws are written to change the status of residential properties, even if turning a profit, to commercial. Chief attended the annual Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control meeting. He mentioned the need for year-round public safety helicopters. Todd noted that him and Dennis will be in front of the Board of County Commissioners on May 15th to hopefully pass the International Building and Fire Codes. A 2-1 vote is expected in favor of passing the code. Frank, Todd, and Dennis met with the town managers and town mayors of Winter Park and Fraser to discuss the lack of affordable housing in our District. Frank commented that the meeting was successful in creating awareness of our financial issues as a District. It is the hope that more meetings will happen in the future contributing to evolving

relationships and solutions for everyone involved. There was a good turn out for the christening of the new fire hydrant in Tabernash. We are 15 calls ahead of last year at this date.

Fire Prevention Report: New construction has slowed a little. The time was filled in with existing building inspections. Dennis also noted that he felt the ICC code adoption was in our favor even with a split Board of County Commissioners. Dennis introduced a resolution to the Board regarding the County adopting one Building and Fire Code Appeals Board to cover the whole county. He noted that the fire and building codes had to be amended in order to find enough folks in our county who would be qualified to serve on such a board. This Board of Appeals will be of service for those who have an issue with a building or fire official. Dennis then introduced the new fee schedule for plan reviews and inspections. This is a temporary schedule while Dennis is researching other cities, districts, and towns current fee schedules. The prices will be increased by 20% until a permanent fee schedule is in place next year. A public hearing is to be held during the May 23rd meeting in order to introduce the temporary fee schedule to the public before adoption.

- ❖ Director Steve Loo moved to pass Resolution 2018-04-25-01 Approving the Appointment of the Adoption of the Following Construction and Fire Code Board of Appeals. Director Mark Pappas seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Steve Loo asked if Todd and Dennis would like the Board present when they go in front of the Board of County Commissioners for the ICC Code adoption. Todd said they are welcome to join them. Dennis made an additional comment regarding the meeting with the towns and the mayors. He stated that he felt the mayor of Winter Park understood our dilemma was financial in nature as he made suggestions to increasing our mill levy. He also asked to see our 10-20 year plan to be able to help us better. Steve Loo then asked if there was a document that discusses the first responder deed restriction of the Lone Tree property. We submitted the South Station plans in July of 2017 and have not received the land yet as it is still under control of the Town of Winter Park. We have made it clear through multiple communications that we want to move forward with this project and need the land deeded to us.

Training Coordinator Report: Training has included completing JPR's, a walkthrough of Park Place Plaza, ladder work, and 3 extrications. They were set up as "ride-unders" using dummies to practice rescue and stabilization techniques. The Wildland Refresher is on May 15th. Four volunteers are working on their Firefighter One certification and four volunteers are working on their Firefighter Two certification. Two members are scheduled to go to the FDIC conference. Banning and Jeremy are still in Officer training. Flow testing for all SCBA packs has been completed. Working on a failed compressor in 492 and a failed heat exchanger in 481. Hose testing is scheduled for May. New tires were ordered for the car hauler trailer. They were flattened due to user error. Grand Fire has given us all their small SCBA masks in place of money for the trailer tires since they share this trailer with us. Steve Loo asked what our department is doing to assist GC EMS with calls. Steve Waldorf detailed all the medical trainings we put on for our volunteers. He also noted that they are all CPR certified and trained by EMS on the use of their equipment. It was stated that we always offer assistance when there is an incident here in Winter Park, especially when they are coming from Granby. We also assist whenever requested to. We cannot automatically go on every call though as that would add over 500 calls to our roster a year, but we are training more and more medically, and the department is moving in that direction. Every vehicle has an AED and medical bags.

Director Frank Dominguez asked if there was any public comment. Brad discussed the last time we were on an EMS call.

Board Business / Action Items: Todd asked for those who were interested in the SDA regional trainings in June to sign up. Todd also noted that we will need to start thinking about the SDA conference in September and to sign up soon. Todd explained the issues we are having with Rosenbauer and the current purchase contract for 481. We sent them our standard addendum to the contract. They made amendments and sent it back. We have issues with the verbiage surrounding the venue. The venue is not Minnesota, it is Colorado. We also have issues with the appropriations of funds. Linda changed the contract to adhere with Colorado's TABOR laws surrounding budgeted funds, payments, and debts occurring over multiple years. Todd requested a motion to be made for the Board to accept the agreement as written (requiring full and complete appropriation and encumbrance). He stated "I move and direct staff to accept the terms of the purchase agreement and its addendum for one Rosenbauer MN Roadrunner Aerial Water Tower Engine, to make the first payment to Rosenbauer from budgeted funds, and to further

encumber the remaining funds in the Budget line number 6055 for payment of the second payment due in 2019. The encumbered funds are directed to be specifically expended for this purpose and shall not be used for any other acquisition without further action by the board.”

- ❖ Director Mark Pappas moved to accept the motion for “The acceptance of the agreement as written.” Director Steve Loo seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Steve Loo asks if we will be using reserve funds to purchase 481. Todd replied that we would be using some reserve funds as well as some funds from the Impact Fee account. It needs to be figured out which part of the 481 is new to us due to the clause that impact fees must be used for new equipment, not replacement equipment.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 20:18 pm.

Frank Dominguez

Rick Kramer

Margaret Woods

Mark Pappas

Steve Loo