MINUTES OF THE RYE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Regular Meeting of March 17, 2010

Present: Sonny Hood, Director; Hank Asbury, Director; Ed Sutcliffe, Director; Doug Branch, Director; William Monck, Director.

Absent: None

Others: Steve Bennett, Phil Daniels, Dave Mower, Scott Carlton, Bill Dye

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Hood.

Board moved to executive session.

Following executive session, board returned to regular session at 8:02 p.m.

Minutes of February 17, 2010

Motion to approve minutes February 17, 2010.

Motion:	Mr. Sutcliffe
Second:	Mr. Monck
Aye:	All Present

Accounts Receivable

Month of February accounts receivable have been a little slow which is typical for this month. We have been having issues with medicare, they are behind on their payments to us by approximately \$10,000, these funds should start flowing in.

Motion to approve February, 2010 account receivables as presented.

Motion:	Mr. Sutcliffe
Second:	Mr. Monck
Aye:	All Present

Accounts Payable

Chief Daniels stated that the \$52,000 check to the IRS was voided. The board asked who we use for garage door service, it was stated that the company who services our doors is overhead door, as the doors are so old it is hard to get the parts, overhead door has not had the problem of the servicing.

Motion to approve February 2010 accounts payable.

Motion:	Mr. Branch
Second:	Mr. Asbury
Aye:	All Present

Old Business

Election 2010

The election for 2010 has been cancelled. There have only been 4 nominations that were received that would fill the four vacancies. The nominees will fill the four vacancies by acclimation. The Oath of Office was presented.

Radio Tower

Pueblo County Commissioners have approved the zoning variance for the special use permit. Tuff shed has already been purchased, will need constructed. Doyle Keys is providing a bid for the wiring. The board inquired about situation with power loss. We will have a generator for back up which will automatically come on in the case of a power outage, the repeater will also be programmed to notify us that the power is out.

Fire Inspections

Board requested update with fire inspections. Mr. Beach attended the Rye Town Council meeting to discussion suggestions for placards and extinguisher. The main area in question is the water treatment facility so we would know what chemicals are housed in the building to provide a safety for responders if there was an incident. The town Council acknowledged the suggestions, however, declined to try and follow the UFC code as the town of Rye has not adopted it.

Colorado City Metro District is continually working on their issues and progressing.

IRS

Mr. Monck and Chief Daniels met with Jennifer Morgan and agent with the Internal Revenue Service. The problem was they were receiving the monies each month but were not receiving the quarterly reports, so in turn, they were not able to put the deposits where they needed to go. This is being corrected and in the future all should be allocated correctly with the appropriate paperwork.

New Business

VFIS

VFIS which provide Death and Disability Insurance for our employees presented a proposal for the new year. This policy will at approximately \$30,000 for the employees. We have submitted application to PFIA as they provide a better plan and also include family for less of a fee. VFIS is charging \$3,300 for the year and covers just the employee. PFIA is charging \$6.00 per employee per month and this includes family.

Motion to let VFIS expire and use PFIA.

Motion:	Mr. Branch
Second:	Mr. Sutcliffe
Aye:	All

Mr. Monck inquired, within the 72 years of Rye Fire Protections Districts existence has there been any in the line of duty deaths. Chief Daniels stated not to our knowledge.

Placer Fire

The last board meeting the Board was informed that Place Fire has filed Chapter 7 bankruptcy, however, our agreement for the purchase of the truck was through the leasing company, we completed all paperwork with the leasing company and they paid Placer. We however have submitted a debt to their bankruptcy courts for approximately \$4,000, this includes the travel to inspect truck and the pick up and delivery of the unit. The Board asked how the new truck is performing. Chief Daniels stated that it is a good truck, it is easy to adjust and calibrate and performs really well.

Other Business

Mr. Sutcliffe mentioned that the Rye Saddle Club is installing a sprinkler system for their arena. They are looking for a pump they can used for the system. Ed asked about the old pump we have at Station 1. He inquired about the department donating it to the Saddle Club for their project. Chief Daniels stated that this pump has sat on the pallet for 25 years, we do not have a need for it and it will only adapt to one truck which is engine 1 which we have taken out of service.

Motion to donate the Pump to the Rye Saddle Club with an as is warranty.

Motion:	Mr. Monck
Second:	Mr. Branch
Aye:	All

Mr. Sutcliffe was abstained from the vote.

Pick-up

Chief Mower stated that Thomas construction was selling a 2007 Ford 250. Chief Mower asked if we could discuss the possibilities in purchasing the truck for use in the department for another Chiefs vehicle plus a vehicle to haul around equipment.

Mr. Branch asked if we do any reimbursements for mileage for employees that use their own vehicles. Chief Daniels stated that we do not. If vehicle are used we usually fill the fuel for them.

Mr. Sutcliffe stated at this time he does not think we need to purchase it. Mr. Asbury thinks it would be good to have an extra vehicle to go to assignments, training, and provides an additional vehicle for command staff.

The Board asked where the funds will come from. Chief Daniels stated this would come out of the Contingency line item.

Board also inquired about insurance coverage for employees vehicle if they are used on calls for the District. Chief Daniels stated we have run into this issue before. Generally our insurance for the Department will not cover personal vehicles. We will check on this for answers at the next board meeting. topic

The Board agreed to bench this discussion until next meeting.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn was made at 9:24 p.m.

Motion:	Mr. Sutcliffe
Second:	Mr. Asbury
Aye:	All Present

Dated this 18th day of March, 2010.

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Submitted by Steven E. Bennett, Lieutenant