

MINUTES OF THE RYE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Regular Meeting May 18, 2011

Present: Directors –Dallas Adair, Jeff Oswald, Gunny Pagnotta, Hank Asbury

Absent Directors: William Monck

Others: Phil Daniels, Fire Chief, Dave Mower, Deputy Chief, Captain Jim Beach, Debra Eiland, Attorney

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mr. Pagnotta

Mr. Pagnotta had roll call and introduced the Board members that were present.

Motion to approve the agenda for May 18, 2011.

Motion:	Mr. Asbury
Second:	Mr. Pagnotta
Aye:	Mr. Oswald, Mr. Adair, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Asbury
Nay:	None

Statement of conduct Read

Public Comments

Maggie Smith thanked the fire department for their response to her emergency.

Public input complete.

Minutes of April 20, 2011 Regular meeting

Motion to approve minutes as presented.

Motion:	Mr. Asbury
Second:	Mr. Oswald
Aye:	Mr. Oswald, Mr. Adair, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Asbury
Nay:	None

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Treasures Report

Motion to approve accounts receivable for April 2011.

Motion: Mr. Asbury
Second: Mr. Adair
Aye: Mr. Oswald, Mr. Adair, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Asbury
Nay: None

Motion to approve accounts payable for April 2011.

Motion: Mr. Asbury
Second: Mr. Oswald
Aye: Mr. Oswald, Mr. Adair, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Asbury
Nay: None

Fire Chief's Report

In the month of April 2011, Rye Fire responded to 60 calls for service (23 fires and 37 EMS). In comparison with the same time period in the past two years, April 2011 had 5 fewer calls than 2010 and 3 greater calls 2009. Year to date statistics show an 18 call decrease from 2009 and a 6 call decrease from 2010.

On April 29, Rye Fire was requested to assist the USFS on a fire near Wetmore. The Sand Gulch Fire had expanded rapidly, threatening the community of Greenwood. Engine 16, with Engineer Kurt Thompson, Firefighter Larry Archuleta, and Firefighter Ross marsh responded. Additionally, Rye Fire provided a Division Supervisor, Planning Section Chief, and a Safety Officer. All resources were released from the fire by May 6.

On April 30, we hosted a fire prevention booth at the Chamber of Commerce Business Expo. Particular emphasis was placed on the Knox Box system, which will be required for all new commercial occupancies, and many existing commercial buildings.

On May 5, we hosted our annual Community Fire Prevention meeting – Firewise. This year we had guest speakers from the Boulder Fire department who were some of the initial responders to the Four mile Fire. Approximately 100 residents and guests were in attendance.

On May 8, Chief Daniels was requested by the USFS to take command of a fire near Elkhart, KS. The Tunner Fire had begun earlier that morning and was burning in the Cimarron national Grasslands. The fire eventually burned over 17,000 acres of grass, brush, and trees on public and private lands. The USFS also requested an engine: Lieutenant Amy Daniels, Engineer Tim Guadagno, and Firefighter Zac Guadagno responded with Engine 23. All resources returned to the district on May 12.

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On May 16, members of A-shift completed this year's fire prevention training in the local schools by teaching two sessions of preschool at Rye Elementary. A highlight of the training was being able to use a fire hose like a real firefighter and getting a demonstration of a fire engine.

Old Business

Hatchet Ranch

Overview – This inclusion is to include East Hatchet Ranch into the District. This has been a 6 year process and has gone from a request with a substation down to strategically placed cisterns.

Petitions were sent to property owners and a sufficient amount was received back.

Vice President of East Hatchet homeowners association states they give full support along with 4 land owners from East hatchet. They all spoke to the board with an open floor for discussions.

Chief Daniels stated through this process he has received 5 letters from property owners requesting exclusion from the process.

Mr. Pagnotta motions to grant the petition for inclusion for phases 2 through 5 with no conditions.

Motion:	Mr. Pagnotta
Second:	Mr. Oswald
Aye:	Mr. Oswald, Mr. Adair, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Asbury
Nay:	None

Motion passed for phases 2, 3, 4 and 5 petition for inclusion is granted with no conditions.

Attorney Debra Eiland explained the next step would be to put in order for the District Courts and this would go to vote in November election.

New Business

None

Other Business

None

Correspondence

None

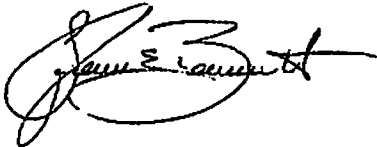
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Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn was made at 7:54 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Pagnotta
Second: Mr. Asbury
Aye: Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Asbury, Mr. Adair
Nay: None

Dated this 18th day of May, 2011.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven E. Bennett". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "S" and "B".

Submitted by Steven E. Bennett, Lieutenant