

Hot Sulphur Springs-Parshall Fire Protection District  
December 11, 2019  
Regular Fire Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Brad White; George Davis; Chief Tom Baumgarten; Aaron Bellefeuille;  
Rob Firth; Marco DeAndrea Audience: Mr. and Mrs. Gall

Meeting called to order at 7:05PM

**Approval of Minutes-**

*Motion to approve minutes of the November 13, 2019 meeting, Aaron Bellefeuille. Marco DeAndrea seconded. Motion approved.*

**Treasurer's Report-**

Aaron Bellefeuille gave the Treasurer's report. The checks and the ledger didn't match (check numbers, not amounts). This information will be given to the accountant so he can correct it. After discussion, Marco DeAndrea made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Rob Firth seconded. Motion approved.

**Chief's Report-**

The Department surpassed their previous record of calls for the year.

Holiday Party will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> at Dean's Public House.

There were two wildland fires. One ended up being a prescribed burn by the BLM, and the other one up Kaiser Creek, located in Morgan Gulch, was eventually monitored by the Forest Service.

They also responded to a chimney fire, and a MVA.

Bill Dixon and Chief Tom will be driving Truck 287 to the memorial for the fallen firefighter in Summit County.

Rob Firth asked if the Board would consider into donating something to the family from the District. After discussion, Rob Firth made a motion to donate \$500 to the family of the fallen firefighter in Summit County. George Davis seconded. All voted aye. Motion approved.

**New Business-**

**Executive Session-7:46pm**

Board President Brad White moved that they would go into Executive Session December 11, 2019 at 746pm certifying for the record that the board is going into executive session. CRS Section 26-6-402 4B for purposes of receiving legal advice regarding Freeport McMoran and confer with the legal adviser to the Board for purposes of obtaining legal advice related to proposed order related to Climax Molybdenum Company's petition for exclusion. Marco DeAndrea seconded. All voted aye. Motion approved. He then advised that the recording device be turned off.

*Executive Session End- General counsel for the Hot Sulphur Springs Parshall FPD. December 11th, 2019 certified that the BOD has left the executive session and is back in open session. The executive session was held in accordance with the open meetings law, and the topics that were discussed were the ones properly called for in the Executive session. He also certified for the record that the board limit any discussion enumerated earlier during executive session on the recording and the recording device is not to be turned off.*

**Regular Board meeting resumed.**

Rob Firth stated that they were advised to go ahead and start with the hearing on the exclusion, but reminded the remaining Board members that it should be among the three who were in the Executive Session to discuss and vote on the proposal.

**Exclusion Hearing-**



Rob Firth stated, "Before the Board now, is the order by the Board of Directors of the Hot Sulphur Springs /Parshall Fire Protection District to consider denying participatory exclusion of the real property Henderson Mill."

When asked if there was any discussion, there was none. Then Rob Firth stated that *"I feel strongly that we did not see the evidence necessary to meet the burden on all of the factors as required in the order, and therefore, I am going to make the motion that we approve the motion denying the petition for exclusion by Henderson Mill."* Seconded by George Davis. All voted aye. Motion approved.

#### **Budget Hearing-**

*Brad White motioned to go into a public hearing to adopt the 2020 Budget, and consider resolutions to adopt budget, appropriate funds, and set mill levies. George Davis seconded. All voted aye. Motion approved.*

Chief Tom presented the revised budget. Rob Firth reiterated that it looked like he had done what the Board had asked him to do in the revision. But, depending on the outcome from the Exclusion Hearing, and where it takes the District from this point, will dictate whether the District can finance a full time Chief beginning in July, 2020.

*Rob Firth motioned to approve the Budget as presented. Aaron Bellefeuille seconded. All voted aye. Motion approved.*

#### **Resolution to Adopt Budget-**

*Brad White made a motion to approve the "Resolution to Adopt Budget....." Marco DeAndrea seconded. All voted aye. Motion approved.*

#### **Resolution to Adopt Mill Levies-**

*Brad White motioned to approve the "Resolution to Levying General Fund Property Taxes...." George Davis seconded. All voted aye. Motion passed*

#### **Resolution to Appropriate Funds-**

*Brad White motioned to "Appropriate Funds...." Marco DeAndrea seconded. All voted aye. Motion approved.* Budget Hearing is closed.

#### **Old Business-**

Brad White submitted his corrected resignation letter, with his last day on the Board to be December 31, 2019. George Davis motioned to appoint Rob Firth as the Board Chairman and Marco DeAndrea as vice Chairman beginning January 2020. Marco DeAndrea seconded. All voted aye. Motion approved. The Board thanked Brad for his service to the District.

Meeting adjourned at ?? pm.

Attested by:

Rob Firth, Chairman

George Davis, Secretary