

HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS-PARSHALL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

September 11, 2019

Regular Fire Board Meeting

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

Meeting called to order at 7:08

**Approval of Minutes-**

Discussion about some verbiage was clarified regarding grant writing and changed to reflect it would be both Chief and Rob researching.

*Motion to approve minutes of the August 2019 meeting, George Davis made a motion to approve the minutes, Aaron Bellefeuille second. Motion carried*

**Treasurer's Report-**

After discussion *George Davis made a motion to approve the treasurers report, Rob Firth second. Motion carried.*

**Chief's Report-** Received the ice rescue equipment. Purchased from a Colorado company in Grand Junction. There are 5 ice rescue certified crew members on the department. Also received the gear extractor and it is hooked up and ready to go. Written test for Travis Wood is coming up in Summit and if passed will have his FF1 State certification. Ordered FF Corbin a baby gift. 11 calls since last BOD meeting. MVA, EMS, Lightning strike, unattended campfire, suspicious electrical smell reported turned out to be a burn barrel at a neighbor's house. Averaging 5 people per call. Average response time 8 minutes. Average on scene time 1 hour 15 minutes. Training is going well. Had EMS BC come over and teach a mapping class. Low Angle rescue training was done on the Parshall side of Parshall divide. Bob Cochran will be teaching rope and some rescue techniques they do at Summit Fire.

**Old Business- None**

**New Business-** Resolution for exemption from audit was not completed for some unknown reason and needs to be done. Resolution was read by Chairman White. *George Davis made a motion to adopt the resolution, Aaron Bellefeuille second. Motion carried*

DOLA matching funds was submitted. Valuation was around 40k lower. Chief will talk to the County treasurer to find out why it is lower. Draft budget will be submitted at the October meeting. Director White had questions regarding the agenda. Director Bellefeuille asked how Chief Baumgarten wanted it done. Chief would like the board, if they have anything, they want to discuss at the board meeting, to let him know by Fridays prior to the meetings to get the agenda done. Rob Firth agreed, as it was done when Joe Vrbas was on director of the previous board. BOD members will have an advance copy and the agenda will be posted on the website. It was requested that it would help if the minutes be done in a timely fashion instead of getting them done and out 2 days prior to the meeting. It was stated that its better to have the meeting fresh in the minds instead of a month later. George thought he *may* be able to get Kerry to have them done in a week.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.**

Attested by: \_\_\_\_\_ Brad White, Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ George Davis, Secretary

