

The Rye Fire Protection District

MINUTES OF THE RYE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP MEETING

Work Shop Meeting September 21, 2011

Present: Directors – Mr. Gunny Pagnotta, Mr. Jeff Oswald, Mr. Bill Monck, Mr. Hank Asbury, Dallas Adair

Absent Directors – None

Others – Chief Daniels, Deputy Chief Dave Mower, Captain Jim Beach, Captain Scott Carlton

Call to Order

The workshop was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Mr. Gunny Pagnotta.

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

Mr. Pagnotta thanked the board for having this workshop session as a way for additional communication and asked board members to give feedback.

Discussion Item #1 – Personnel Action Forms

Mr. Gunny Pagnotta asked the board to consider development of an Employee Action form that will involve the Board in any serious employee actions when the Chief and his Deputy Chief have to correct behavior of employees. Chief Daniels noted to the board that when the Personnel Policy was being developed, Debra Eiland noted that it was easier to give her the ideas for the desired outcome and she can draft a form for review and also can make any necessary changes to the Personnel Policy. Mr. Gunny Pagnotta asked that this be tabled for now pending on a decision on how to move forward.

Discussion Item #2 – Interagency Response

Chief Daniels presented a PowerPoint program covering this subject and discussed in length this subject to inform the Board Members and public on how this works and impacts the Rye Fire Protection District. Chief Daniels described the National Wildfire Response System and noted that wildland fires are a national issue and that no one agency can handle the “big one.” Thus, agencies work together for a common goal. Participants include Federal Agencies, State Agencies, County Agencies and Local Government. He discussed how forces are requested from various levels. Chief Daniels went on to discuss Rye Fire’s capabilities and how they can be utilized within the District, locally, and nationally. He specifically noted that our equipment is designed for structural protection as well as wildland fires, thus we are not just a “wildland organization.” Chief Daniels also noted that not only do we send equipment to other fires, but also specially trained Incident Management Team personnel, who are typically, retired government employees. It was noted that sending people and equipment to other fires does not negatively impact the District Coverage and is beneficial for the Department and staff. Chief

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Daniels covered the financial impact to the Rye Fire Protection District and thus far to date, the billings for Interagency Response have exceeded the budget by over \$100,000 and the fiscal year is not over yet over. Revenue from these agencies helps support other district activities. The Board thanked Chief Daniels for his presentation.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn was made at 7:05 p.m.

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

Dated this 21st day of September, 2011.



Submitted by Jim Beach, Captain