

The Rye Fire Protection District

**MINUTES OF THE RYE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF
DIRECTORS MEETING
Regular Meeting September 15, 2014**

Present Directors – Mr. John Schaiberger, Mr. Jim Elliott, Mr. Mike Davis

Absent Directors – Mr. Wills, Mr. Melchi

Others - Chief Steve Bennett, Captain Jim Beach

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mr. John Schaiberger

Roll Call

Mr. Schaiberger introduced the present board members.

Approval of Agenda

No Additions Noted.

Motion to approve Agenda for September 15, 2014 meeting as posted.

Motion: Mr. Elliott
Second: Mr. Davis

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis
Nay: None

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

None.

Receive or Act on Board Correspondence

None.

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Approval of Minutes of August 18, 2014 Regular Meeting

Two (2) items noted for change.

1. Page 4 of 7. Employee's Waving While in Vehicles. Change "waive" to "wave".
2. Page 6 of 7, Adjourn. Change "Elliott" to "Mr. Elliott."

Motion to approve the Minutes of the August 18, 2014 as noted.

Motion: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Elliott

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis
Nay: None

Treasurer's Report

Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable discussion. The cost of the audit was discussed. There was a base price and additions for additional work because of required prior adjustments and change in accounting firms to Colorado City Metro District.

Motion to approve payment of \$15,412.80 to McPherson, Breyfogle, Daveline and Goodrich, PC for the 2013 audit.

Motion: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Elliott

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis
Nay: None

Further discussion talked about the new ambulance cost and matching grant funding constraints. Several other line items were discussed.

EMA Report noted by Chief Bennett that the payments continued to remain similar to the prior month.

Motion to approve the Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable, and EMA Report for August 2014.

Motion: Mr. Elliott
Second: Mr. Schaiberger

Further Discussion: None.

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Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis
Nay: None

Fire Chief Report

Statistics. In the Month August 2014, Rye Fire responded to 88 calls for service of which 68 were EMS related and 20 were fire related. In comparison with previous year this is an increase of 22% from 2013 and a 39% increase from the 5 year average of 63.

Administration/Operations. New grant request for Bunker gear was submitted to FEMA and we are waiting a response. A new grant will be available for gear through the State of Colorado within the next 60-90 days.

Grants are being researched to purchase personal protective equipment. City of Pueblo will be helping with decals for the new ambulance which will create a substantial savings on the cost.

Crew and Engine participated with other emergency responders for the State Fair Parade.

Prevention. We continue to provide Mitigation assessments for various homeowners throughout the District.

Provide assistance to School District 70 for fire drill and all hazard drills.

Fire Prevention week has been setup with the Elementary and Middle Schools for presentations.

Training. Training has been ongoing throughout the month. Fire training covered fire behavior, equipment, pump training. EMS training is ongoing with a new topic every 6 days concerning procedure changes and continuing education.

Old Business

Hatchet Ranch Updates

Mr. Elliott noted that all tanks are ready to put into service except one (1), which requires a new valve. The 10,000 gallon tank was spun. Chief Bennett noted that he will start filling them this week and taking various staff out to each tank for orientation. Mr. Elliott received pricing for heating options for the valves from Adams Electric. Price ranged from \$5,275 per tank to over \$9,800 per tank. Other options were discussed to include researching heat tape options for RV equipment. Mr. Schaiberger noted that the Officer in charge of the air movement of the large tank has been reassigned. Mr. Schaiberger and Mr. Elliott will look into the option previous reviewed to move the tank via a house mover.

Personnel Policies Discussion

This will be discussed in Executive Session.

Car Accident Vehicle Damage and Building Damage

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Mr. Schaiberger noted to the board that a non-staff member's vehicle hit the southeast corner of Station #2. It caused building damage and also damage to the new ambulance. No staff were injured. The driver was transported to the hospital. Chief Bennett noted he is working with our insurance company who will probably go after the driver's insurance company for damages. Chief Bennett noted that he is contacting the ambulance manufacturer to determine what will be done to determine damages and remedies. He also noted that a company is working on an estimate for building damage, which is expected to be between \$75,000 and \$100,000. The estimate is anticipated to be submitted to the insurance company this week.

Generator / Pickup

Chief Bennett noted that he received an offer from an interested party to purchase the old generator for \$200. Chief noted that he let the party know that the unit hasn't worked in several years and is still interested. A year ago, the unit received an offer for several dollars which was rejected.

Motion to accept the offer for \$200 for the sale of the generator, as is.

Motion: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Elliott

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis
Nay: None

Chief Bennett noted that he received information from the insurance company regarding the old chief truck that they are having trouble getting a salvage company to pick-up the rig. They noted that we can keep any proceeds from the sale and disposal of the truck. Chief Bennett was asked to advertise the unit in the paper for a couple weeks and take the highest bid. Chief Bennett will report back to the board next month.

New Business

Discussion for a workshop meeting regarding Long Term Plans

Tentatively the date was set for November 5th. Chief Bennett will verify that all members can attend and will look for a location. Members were asked to come up with items and an agenda will be approved at the next board meeting. Chief Bennett will conduct a salary survey of area departments to obtain information for a wage discussion.

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Executive Session

Mr. Schaiberger noted as authorized by C.R.S. Section 24-6-402, Subsection 4, Paragraphs A-H, this board will now convene in Executive Session. The topic of the Executive Session will be to discuss Personnel Policies and Discuss Personnel. The Executive Session will not be open to the public. No adoption of any proposed policy, position, resolution, rule, regulation, or formal action shall occur at this Executive Session.

Motion to adjourn Regular Meeting of September 15, 2014 to executive session was made at 8:13 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Elliott

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis
Nay: None

Discussion was:

- Personnel Policies
- Discuss Personnel

Motion to adjourn Executive Session of September 15, 2014 to executive session was made at 9:42 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Elliott
Second: Mr. Davis

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis
Nay: None

Following Executive Session, the Board returned to regular session and the room was opened back up to the public.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:43 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Elliott
Second: Mr. Davis

Further Discussion: None

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Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis
Nay: None

Dated this 15th day of September 2014.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Beach".

Submitted by Jim Beach, Captain