

The Rye Fire Protection District

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

Regular Meeting February 15, 2012

Present: Directors – Mr. Ed Hurtado, Mr. Bill Monck, Mr. Jeff Oswald, Mr. Gunny Pagnotta,
Mr. Garry Melchi

Absent Directors – None

Others – Chief Phil Daniels, Deputy Chief Dave Mower, Debra Eiland-Legal Counsel, Captain
Jim Beach, Captain Scott Carlton, Lieutenant Steve Bennett, Firefighter Sid Swartwood,
Firefighter Zac Guadagno

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Gunny Pagnotta.

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

Motion to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting for February 15, 2012.

Motion: Mr. Gunny Pagnotta
Second: Mr. Monck
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

None

Minutes of January 18, 2012 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve meeting minutes of January 18, 2012.

Motion: Mr. Monck
Second: Mr. Hurtado
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

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Treasurers Report

Accounts Receivable Discussion. None.

Motion to approve accounts receivable for January 2012.

Motion: Mr. Monck
Second: Mr. Pagnotta
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

Accounts Payable Discussion. None.

Motion to approve accounts payable for January 2012.

Motion: Mr. Monck
Second: Mr. Pagnotta
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

Fire Chief's Report

Statistics. For the month of January 2012, Rye Fire responded to 27 (2 fires and 25 EMS) calls for service. In comparison with previous years this is a 37% decrease from 2011 (43) and a 44% decrease from a five year average of 48.

Becker Road Fire. On February 2, fire units responded to a structure fire at 5425 Becker Road. A portion of the stovepipe from a wood stove had failed causing an ignition on the rafters in the attic. Fire was contained to a 10' x 10' area in the ceiling / attic.

Old Business

East Hatchet Ranch Inclusion Update

This update also included West Hatchet Ranch Inclusion. Ms. Eiland noted that both inclusions are going forward at the same time. The plans will be filed by March 14th. The District will be mailing ballots to the addresses on file with the County Assessor's Office. Ms. Eiland noted that the election date is May 8, 2012 and not May 1 as previously noted. Ms. Eiland noted that the election will be posted in local newspaper and also on the District web page. Ms. Eiland asked people to let their neighbors know about the May 8th date. Since each inclusion is separate, there will be separate ballot questions and people can only vote for their inclusion.

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New Business

Bank Account Authorizations

Motion made to redo the current signature cards at Canon National Bank to include Mr. Ed Hurtado, Mr. Bill Monck, Mr. Jeff Oswald, Mr. Gunny Pagnotta, Mr. Garry Melchi, and Ms. Pat Wood- B.K.P. (for the debit account only) and to remove all others currently listed.

Motion: Mr. Pagnotta
Second: Mr. Monck
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

Board's Findings and Conclusions from Grievance Investigation and Interviews – Held at Special Meeting of February 3, 2012

On February 3, 2012, the Board of the Rye Fire Protection District completed the investigation of the grievances submitted by five employees of the District: Steve Bennett, Scott Carlton, Wade Wills, John Biggs, and Zac Guadagno. Acting in its capacity as the interim grievance committee, the board reviewed the grievance letters, reviewed the documents concerning prior action taken on the grievances, if any, and conducted interviews with the employees involved. The board has prepared written findings, conclusions and recommendations based upon that investigation. Based upon the written findings and conclusions, the board has made recommendations for personnel actions in reference to several employees of the District. By law, written findings, conclusions and recommendations, as well as any personnel actions approved by the board must be kept confidential and may not be disclosed to the public.

Motion to ratify the findings and conclusions of the February 3, 2012 Special Meeting Executive Session of the Rye Fire Protection District Board acting as the grievance committee.

Motion: Mr. Pagnotta
Second: Mr. Hurtado
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

Motion to approve and follow through with the recommended personnel actions based upon the findings and conclusions of the February 3, 2012 Special Meeting Executive Session.

Motion: Mr. Pagnotta
Second: Mr. Oswald
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

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Receive or Act on Board Correspondence

None

Executive Session

Mr. Pagnotta noted as authorized by C.R.S. Section 24-6-402, Subsection 4, Paragraphs a-h, this board will now convene an Executive Session. The topic of discussion for the Executive Session will be to receive advice of legal counsel regarding personnel matters and to discuss personnel actions regarding Steve Bennett, Phil Daniels, Scott Carlton, Amy Daniels, Zac Guadagno, and Dave Mower. The Executive Session will not be open to the public.

Motion to adjourn regular meeting of February 2011 to executive session was made at 7:22 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Monck
Second: Mr. Hurtado
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

The Board then went into Executive Session.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session of February 15, 2012 was made at 8:58 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Pagnotta
Second: Mr. Monck
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

Following Executive Session, the Board returned to regular session at 8:59 p.m. The room was opened back up to the public.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:03 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Pagnotta
Second: Mr. Monck
Aye: Mr. Hurtado, Mr. Monck, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pagnotta, Mr. Melchi
Nay: None

Dated this 15th day of February 2012.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beach". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "B" and a cursive "each".

Submitted by Jim Beach, Captain