

**The Rye Fire Protection District**

**MINUTES OF THE RYE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS MEETING  
Special Meeting June 15, 2015**

Present Directors – Mr. John Schaiberger, Mr. Wade Wills, Mr. Jim Elliott, Mr. Mike Davis, Mr. Garry Melchi

Absent Directors – None

Others - Chief Steve Bennett, Captain Jim Beach

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mr. Schaiberger, who chaired the meeting.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Schaiberger introduced the present board members.

**Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items**

None.

**Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Schaiberger asked for any additions or changes to the meeting agenda.

Motion to approve Meeting Agenda for June 15, 2015 as posted.

Motion: Mr. Elliott  
Second: Mr. Wills

Further Discussion: None.

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

**Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2015 Special Meeting**

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Noted that the meeting started at 6:00 pm.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the May 18, 2015 with the time change noted.

Motion: Mr. Elliott  
Second: Mr. Melchi

Further Discussion: None.

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

### Treasurer's Report

Accounts Receivable. It was noted that EMA's income is different this month due to them not receiving two (2) weeks of EOB's. The money has been received and in the bank. It was also noted that the way EMS revenue is being reported is confusing for the reports.

Accounts Payable. Income Statement, Line 7101, Admin. Expense – Legal. Question arose as to where Mountain States expenses are located. Chief Bennett to research.

General. There were several new reports presented that created some confusion. Chief Bennett will work to correct.

Motion to approve Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivable for May 2015.

Motion: Mr. Wills  
Second: Mr. Elliott

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Wills, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Davis, Mr. Melchi  
Nay: None  
Abstain: Mr. Schaiberger

EMA Report. It was noted again that the report from EMA was missing two (2) weeks of payments. Next month will be up-to-date and should report a better revenue pattern.

### Fire Chief Report

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**Statistics.** In the Month May 2015, Rye Fire responded to 79 calls for service of which 64 were EMS related and 15 were fire related. In comparison with previous year this is an increase of 42% from 2014 and an increase of 34% from the 5 year average of 52.

**Administration/Operations.** All personnel have been sized for new gear and the order is processed and should be outfitted towards the end of June.

Continuing to work on the Fire Cadet/Explorer program in conjunction with Beulah Fire and the Boy Scouts. The cadets will range from 14 – 18 years old. We currently have two cadets enrolled and have 3 more that will be enrolled this month.

Vehicle and Building evaluations have been ongoing throughout the months as we are formulating replacement timelines and remodeling projects for the future. We have also been compiling information in regards to long term planning for the Fire District. Ranging from personnel, buildings, equipment to apparatus.

Continue to submit grant requests to various entities throughout our region.

Middle School students helped with Community Service at Station in Colorado City. They helped with grounds maintenance and upkeep.

**Prevention.** Provided personnel and truck to the DARE graduation at the Fair Grounds in Pueblo. Swat, Sheriff Office, Police and other fire departments were on hand as well.

Mitigation assessments for various homeowners throughout the District is ongoing.

Crews attended various functions throughout the district, mainly local high school sporting events, career day at middle school and DARE participation. Rye Fire also helped with escort for the Rye High School Baseball team in regards to their State Championship journey.

**Training.** Training has been ongoing throughout the month. Fire training covered ladders, water rescue from the shore and district mapping. EMS training is ongoing with a new topic every 6 days concerning procedure changes, protocol changes and continuing education.

## Old Business

### Hatchet Ranch Update

Captain Beach noted that signs noting “Non-Potable Water” for the tanks have been ordered and should be in soon. Mr. Elliott noted that he is working with an individual to fabricate and install covers over above ground tanks to prevent freezing in cold weather. A couple valves need to be replaced that do not have drain ports. Mr. Elliott is also verifying the condition of the tanks after the recent wet weather. Mr. Schaiberger noted that he saw several used underground storage tanks and will do more research on pricing, size and etc. for possible use at either Hatchet Ranch or other locations within the District.

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### 2016 Calendars

Chief Bennett noted that he has discussed the idea of having a Rye Fire Protection District 2016 calendar as a fund raiser and they are in full agreement. Chief noted that it will be professional. The cost for a 28 page color calendar for 200 copies, is \$4.00 each. Additional calendars can be ordered at the same price.

Motion to purchase 200 calendars for 2016 as a fund raiser at \$4.00 each.

Motion: Mr. Davis  
Second: Mr. Melchi

Further Discussion: None.

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

### Election of Officers

Mr. Schaiberger reminded the Board that election of officers will be held next month.

### New Business

#### Bunker Gear Grant

Chief Bennett noted that the EMS Grant was originally \$52,392. The State came back and adjusted it down to \$45,710 to allow more agencies to receive money. The gear cost is roughly \$40,168. Lieutenant Marsh has been diligently working to obtain the best price possible for a gear extractor & dryer with the best price now at \$10,252. This leave Rye Fire Protection District responsible for about \$4,710, which is roughly the required matching portion by our agency. Chief Bennett will verify deadline for procurement under the Grant.

Motion to purchase the gear extractor & dryer for \$10,252.

Motion: Mr. Elliott  
Second: Mr. Melchi

Further Discussion: None.

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

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### Old Med 21 Disposal

Chief Bennett noted that since AMR made the last proposal to purchase the unit, they have since reconsidered. Chief Bennett was authorized to dispose of the unit as soon as possible for a minimum price of \$10,000, which was previously authorized by the Board.

### Receive or Act on Board Correspondence

None.

### Other Discussions

#### To-Do List

Chief Bennett will reinstate the to-do list for all and will send out.

### Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:07 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Elliott  
Second: Mr. Melchi

Further Discussion: None.

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

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 2015.



Submitted by Jim Beach, Captain