

## **The Rye Fire Protection District**

### **MINUTES OF THE RYE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Special Meeting April 13, 2020**

Present Directors – Mr. John Schaiberger, Mr. Rich Simpson, Mr. George McGoff, Mr. Wally Rice, Mr. Mike Graber

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. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the meeting was held via phone conferencing with all individuals on the line.

### **2020 Election**

Chief Bennett noted that the 2020 Election has been cancelled per Resolution 20-006. Only two (2) nominations were received, both of which are current Board Members. The Board Members will be sworn in after the election date and the votes have been certified by the County.

### **Brush Truck**

Chief Bennett noted that Engine 261, a Type 6 Brush Truck, was sent to the shops recently for repairs. The extent of the damage was such that it would cost between \$20,000 and \$25,000 to repair. The truck is 17 years old, with a 6.0 liter Ford diesel engine. Historically this has been one of the worst engines provided by Ford and Rye Fire historically has had many issues with this engine type. Rye Fire at one time had three (3) of these engines, all of which has cost extensive amount of dollars to repair. Besides the brush truck, one of the ambulances still has this engine with the engine being replaced several years ago.

The City of Pueblo Shops does the mechanical servicing for our fleet and through Fords Government Bid, can obtain a brand new F450 gas engine truck for about \$40,000-\$42,000 with no miles. It is estimated that for \$3,000-\$5,000, the sled can be moved to this chassis along with the winch and lights. The sled consists of the water tank, pump, and tool cabinets, all of which are in good condition according to Chief Bennett. The hourly rate for City Shops is about \$105 per hour. The estimated time to complete this transformation is about 3-8 weeks. Mr. Graber noted that to go to the dealer and purchase the same vehicle, the cost would be about double.

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Motion to purchase a new Ford F450 gas engine truck through Pueblo City Shops and have them move the equipment to the new chassis.

Motion: Mr. Rice  
Second: Mr. Simpson

Further Discussion: The source for the purchase will come from the Capital Funds account.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Simpson, Mr. McGoff, Mr. Rice, Mr. Graber  
Abstain: None  
Nay: None

## Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 5: 29 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Rice

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020.



Submitted by Jim Beach, Captain