

MINUTES OF THE RYE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Special Meeting of September 27, 2010

Present: Directors – Henry Asbury, Ed Sutcliffe, Gunny Pagnotta, William Monck.

Absent Directors: none

Others: Phillip Daniels, Fire Chief, Captain Jim Beach, Lieutenant Steve Bennett, Debra Eiland, Attorney.

Call to Order

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

Mr. Asbury introduced the Board members that were present.

Bob Cook, 6955 Davis Road, called a “Point of Order.” Mr. Cook’s contention was that Mr. Pagnotta was not appropriately placed onto the Board and that he should not be considered a Board Member.

A brief discussion occurred between Mr. Asbury and Mr. Cook.

A motion for a recess was requested by Mr. Asbury.

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

Following the recess, Mr. Asbury stated that an Agenda item includes appointing a replacement Board Member, and that the board will appoint two members this evening instead of one. Mr. Pagnotta removed himself to audience.

Mr. Cook further stated that he believed that Mr. Pagnotta could not be “rubber-stamped” into office.

Mr. Asbury stated the Mr. Pagnotta had filed a request to be on the Board of Directors when the earlier position was vacated and that he would be considered along with the other applicants.

Mr. Asbury called for a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda for August 18, 2010.

Motion:	Mr. Monck
Second:	Mr. Sutcliffe
Aye:	Mr. Monck, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Asbury
Nay:	None

Public Comments

Mr. Asbury recognized individuals that were present. The sign up sheet for public comments has 4 people that would like to address the Rye Fire Board of Directors. Mr. Cook, Mr. Miller, Mr. Oswald, Ms. Salemeno.

Mr. Cook requested that he be notified by mail for meeting dates.

Mr. Miller requested he be placed on next months agenda regarding inclusion of Hatchet Ranch.

Mr. Oswald and Ms. Salemeno did not have public input, the thought it was a sign in sheet.

Public input complete.

Minutes of September 22, 2010

Motion to approve minutes as presented.

Motion: Mr. Sutcliffe
Second: Mr. Monck
Aye: Mr. Monck, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Asbury
Nay: None

Treasures Report

Accounts payable, no questions and accounts receivables no questions.

Motion to approve accounts receivable.

Motion: Mr. Sutcliffe
Second: Mr. Monck
Aye: Mr. Monck, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Asbury
Nay: None

Motion to approve accounts payable.

Motion: Mr. Monck
Second: Mr. Sutcliffe
Aye: Mr. Asbury, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Monck
Nay: None

Fire Chief's Report

In the month of August 2010, Rye Fire responded to 69 calls for service (23 fires and 46 EMS). In comparison with the same time period in 2009, we are 44% busier for the month in calls for service and a 19% increase for the year to date.

As a participant in the National Preparedness Month activities in Pueblo County, Rye Fire hosted a "pet emergency" picnic at Greenhorn Meadow Park, on September 4. Members of the Red Cross, Pueblo County Sheriff, Pueblo Animal Welfare Services, local veterinarian Dr. Anna Juan, and many others

provide information to pet owners on things they can do to prepare for an emergency or disaster with their pets. Over 250 people and 50 dogs attended this event.

In an effort to increase the level of information that we provide to our residents, Rye Fire has established a “Twitter” account. This service provides short text messages that can be sent to an individual’s phone or pager in the event that something is affecting our community. This does not replace existing emergency alert systems, rather it provides supplemental information. For instance, during the Medano Fire in June, we used Twitter to inform people of the source of the smoke. Follow Amy_RyeFire on Twitter to begin receiving these updates.

On Tuesday, September 7, Rye Fire dispatched personnel and equipment in support of Boulder County. In total 12 firefighters participated in the response along with four pieces of our equipment. While assigned to the Four Mile Canyon Fire, the Reservoir Road fire broke out in neighboring Larimer County. Several Rye resources were reassigned to that fire. All personnel and equipment returned by September 17.

Old Business

Bylaws revision

Table Bylaws revision until we have a full board in place.

Motion:	Mr. Asbury
Second:	Mr. Sutcliffe
Aye:	Mr. Monck, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Asbury
Nay:	None

New Business

Board Member Appointment

Mr. Asbury and the Board have a little question and answer and would like to ask each applicant and move on from that.

List of applicants are Charlie Burbidge, Richard Decker, Bill Dye, Gale Valois, Jeff Oswald, Gunny Pagnotta, Dan Schultz, and Steve Hannan.

Questions that were directed to the applicants were:

- Why are you interested in serving on this board?
- What are your short-term and long-term objectives to this organization?
- Where do you see this fire district in 5 years?

Ms. Valois was absent for the questions and answer session. After the conclusion of questions and answers, nominations from the Board took place to fill the two vacancies on the Board.

Mr. Asbury nominated Gunny Pagnotta.

Aye: Mr. Monck, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Asbury
Nay: None

Mr. Sutcliffe nominated Steve Hannan.

Aye: Mr. Sutcliffe
Nay: Mr. Monck, Mr. Asbury

Mr. Asbury nominated Jeff Oswald.

Aye: Mr. Monck, Mr. Asbury
Nay: Mr. Sutcliffe

Mr. Asbury presented and read the oath to Jeff Oswald and Gunny Pagnotta; they repeated and accepted the oath. Both parties signed the document.

Budget

Budget Process

The process would be to develop and create the budget and present to the Board of Directors. The budget will be open for public inspection. Then at the November meeting the budget will be voted upon by the Directors.

Budget Officer Appointment

The Board will need to appoint a budget officer to create and prepare a budget and submit to the Rye Fire Protection Districts Board of Directors.

Motion to appoint Phil Daniels as the budget officer.

Motion: Mr. Monck
Second: Mr. Sutcliffe
Aye: Mr. Monck, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Asbury
Nay: None

Mr. Asbury invited Gunny Pagnotta and Jeff Oswald to join the Board.

The Rye Fire Protection District

Mr. Asbury stated as authorized by Colorado Revised Statutes, Section 24-6-402(4)(a)-(h), this Board will now convene an executive session. The topic of discussion for this executive session will be to receive advice from attorney regarding Open Records request from Richard Decker and the Placer Fire Bankruptcy and dispute with Nalley Motors. This executive session will not be open to the public.

Mr. Monck at 7:49 p.m. motioned that the board go to executive session.

Motion: Mr. Monck
Second: Mr. Sutcliffe
Aye: Mr. Monck, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Asbury
Nay: None

Discussions were:

- Received advice regarding Open Records request from Richard Decker.
- Placer Bankruptcy and dispute with Nalley Motors about title to the fire truck.

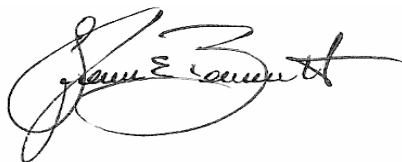
Following executive session, Board returned to regular session at 9:02 p.m. Meeting room was opened back up to the public.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn was made at 9:04 p.m.

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

Dated this 1st day of October, 2010.



Submitted by Steven E. Bennett, Lieutenant