

Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District
Regular Meeting
Of the
Board of Directors
February 10, 2016 /7:00 PM
Upper Canyon Community Center

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President, Glenn Simmons, at 7:00 pm. Also in attendance were Bette Blinde and Paula Collins. Absent Gene Mericle and Greg Danhoff.

Approvals:

Minutes: Motion by Bette and second by Paula to approve the January 13th minutes as emailed with no corrections. Passes 3-0.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer's report was presented and commented on by Bette Blinde. Bette commented she met with the auditor yesterday and has asked them to look at the values of our equipment and depreciation, dry wells and land values. Motion to accept report as submitted by Paula. Seconded by Bette. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business:

Newsletter: Glenn reported that the newsletters were mailed yesterday. A suggestion was made to do a picture of fire engine equipment for the next newsletter.

Pending Grant Applications: Bette reported that we have submitted three grants. Two for bunker gear and one for fire shelters.

Chili Cook-off Fundraiser: Ralph Matzner has scheduled an organizational meeting for March 29th, 4:00pm for the chili cook-off. Ron Lonnemen and Sandra Case will again host the silent auction. The event is planned for Saturday, April 9th at 6:00pm.

New Business:

2016 Board election: Glenn will run for reelection and serve until he can be replaced.

EMS Supplies: Bette recommended that all EMT jump kits have: a tourniquet, NPA's, and a small suction device. Two glucometers, the same model as PVH's also need to be purchased for the ambulances. Motion by Bette and seconded by Paula *to have Zane Edwards purchase these items as soon as possible*. Motion passed 3-0.

Long term Planning: Bette discussed a need to plan ahead for the future of the department. Bette would like to see ongoing brainstorming sessions after the monthly meetings, to think about the future needs. Hugh will solicit ideas from the volunteers at training sessions. Bob will ask for input at the next UPCA meeting and write something for the next community newsletters. A master plan for future expenditures is a good idea and will help with grant applications. Also needed is a survey of the talent and expertise we have in the people living in our area.

Reports:

Chief: Chief Collins reported there were 5 **calls** in January: 2 medical, 3 MVA. Appointed Zane as new **EMS coordinator** and thanked Tyler for his service in the position. Chief Collins has installed **steps** on the front box of E641. Ordered 12 **new pagers** from the proceeds of the burrito sales. He is working on a grant with **Fire House Subs** for high visibility jackets. Chief Collins is evaluating a **low-cost pack set radio**. He helped Paula and Bette with publishing the **newsletter** and attended the Northern Larimer County Emergency Response Area **EMS Advisory Committee meeting**. The **Kilpecker tower** is expected to be operational in September and will have a pager. There is a good chance we will get reliable coverage for our pagers enabling us to cancel our leased lines, saving \$400 a month. The tower should cover 93% of the canyon. Chief is working again with PVH on the acquisition of their old **powered cots**.

EMS: Zane, new coordinator, has sent an email about training to John Stitt and will follow up with Tyler. He would like to work on scenarios and skills-building training.

Station 1: Kellie reported two new recruits showed up for the orientation meeting on Monday. Others have shown interest but were unable to attend. John Schindler and Cameron Taylor have turned in their gear. Tony put together a 2016 training calendar. Kellie says they are having trouble with 611 not starting. Discussion on what to do about vehicle maintenance at Station 1 and what the problem might be with E611. Hugh will install the steps on 611.

Station 2: Bob reported that the responding head count is down at Station 2 due to the absence of snowbirds and health issues. There are light bulbs that need to be replaced.

Station 3: Bob reported there are very few people in the Station 3 area to respond to a call.

Station 4: Bette reports, "all is quiet".

Building Committee: Jan discussed the current calendar usage events. Jan will talk to building committee about buying replacement bulbs. The committee is setting up a yearly maintenance check list to make sure things get done.

CLPFEG: Jan reported that CLPFEG will be helping with the Chili cook-off and that at the craft fair in August they will have a booth selling popcorn donated by Rebel Popcorn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm. Motioned by Bette. Seconded by Paula.

Next Meeting:

March 9-	Lower Canyon	August 10-	Upper Canyon
April 13-	Upper Canyon	September 14 -	Lower Canyon
May 11-	Lower Canyon	October 12-	Upper Canyon
June 8-	Upper Canyon	November 9-	Lower Canyon
July 13-	Lower Canyon	December 14-	Upper Canyon