

Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District  
Regular Meeting  
Of the  
Board of Directors  
March 9, 2016 / 7:00 PM  
Lower Canyon Community Center

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President, Glenn Simmons, at 7:08 pm. Also in attendance were Bette Blinde, Gene Mericle and Paula Collins. Greg Danhoff was absent.

**Approvals:**

**Minutes:** Motion by Bette and second by Paula "to approve the February 10<sup>th</sup> minutes as emailed with no corrections." Passes 4-0.

**Treasurer's report:** Motion by Paula "to accept treasurer's report as submitted". Seconded by Bette. Motion passed 4-0.

**Old Business:**

**Chili Cook-off Fundraiser:** Nothing new was reported. Chili cook-off planned for April 9<sup>th</sup> with a planning meeting scheduled for March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Pending Grant Applications:** Chief Collins reported that four grants have been submitted this year. Recipients of the two state grants (asking for bunker gear and fire shelters) should be announced by the end of March. The last grant submitted, was to Fire House Subs for ANSI Class 3 jackets and recipients should be notified by July.

**Strategic Planning Committee:** The Board decided that brainstorming sessions could be held after short monthly meetings while board members were present to think about the future needs of the department. This information will aid those writing grants and give focus to fundraising needs.

**2016 Board election:** Paula read the email from LeAnn Davis, Designated Election Official for the upcoming May 3, 2016, updating the election proceedings. The election will be cancelled as only 3 candidates are running for the three positions available. Those candidates, Bette Blinde, Gene Mericle and Brett Ridges, have been notified by mail that they have been elected to the Board of Directors and the paperwork will be filed and posted as required by LeAnn.

**New Business:**

**Retirement fund balance update:** Pension fund has been updated. The current amount is \$96,393.99

**1<sup>st</sup> Citizens Bank Lending Program:** Bette reported she had called 1<sup>st</sup> Citizens about a brochure she received about their lending program only to find out that said program is not available in Colorado. Discussion followed about refinancing the building loans while the interest rate is low. Zane Edwards will check with Guaranteed Bank, and Gene will check with Public Service Credit Union. Bette volunteered Greg to help her look into the refinancing possibilities.

## Reports:

**Chief:** Chief Collins reported there were 5 **calls** in February: 4 MVA. Chief Collins has received and programmed the 12 **new pagers** from the proceeds of the burrito sales. He has submitted a grant application to **Fire House Subs** for high visibility jackets. Chief Collins picked up the **power cots** from PVH along with 4 brand new batteries and manuals. He, Paula and Zane attended the QRT Leadership meeting in Fort Collins. Chief reported that Wellington is hosting an EMT distance learning class. Front Range is providing the instruction. The **EMT Spring Conference** was very informative for those who attended. Chief Collins met with the Shambhala Mountain Center to review fire safety protocols for **cremation ceremonies**.

**EMS:** Zane reported that last month's continuing education training was cancelled due to weather. It has been rescheduled for this month with the addition of a tourniquet use demonstration. He has tourniquets and NPAs to give to EMTs at that time. Zane is in the process of checking the ambulances for supplies.

**Station 1:** Gene reported they had received the new power cot.

**Station 2:** Chief reported that the wind damaged flags had been removed from the flagpole.

**Station 3:** Chief reported Station 3 is cold and dark.

**Station 4:** Bette reported there had been ice rescue training at the Boy Scout Ranch last Sunday.

**Building Committee:** Jan reported the light bulbs have not been changed to her knowledge.

**CLPFEG:** Bette gave Jan a check for \$1000 from Fidelity Insurance. Paula suggested that the group look into Smile Amazon as a possible fundraiser.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm. Motioned by Bette. Seconded by Paula.

## Next Meeting:

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

**RESOLUTION 2016-002  
CANCELLATION OF MAY 3, 2016 ELECTION**

WHEREAS the Designated Election Official has advised that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates.

THEREFORE the election to be held on May 3, 2016 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 1-13.5-513 (6) C.R.S.

The following candidates are hereby declared elected:

Brett Ridges, P.O. Box 364, LaPorte, CO 80535, 4-Year Term  
Gene Mericle, P.O. Box 364, LaPorte, CO 80535, 4-Year Term  
Bette Blinde, P.O. Box 364, LaPorte, CO 80535, 2-Year Term

Adopted this 8 day of March, 2016

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By: 

~~Acting~~ President

ATTEST:

*Paula M. Collins*

Paula M. Collins, Secretary

