

Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District Regular Meeting  
Of the  
Board of Directors  
November 14, 2018 /7:00 PM Lower Poudre Canyon

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by acting president Gene Mericle at 7:00 pm.

Board Members: Bette Blinde, and Paula Collins were present. Brett Ridges and Greg Danhoff were absent. Additionally, Chief Hugh Collins and Bob Maynard were present.

**Approvals:**

**Minutes:** Motion made by Bette *“to accept the September regular meeting minutes as emailed.”* Second by Gene. Motion passed 3-0. (There was no official meeting in October due to lack of quorum.)

**Treasurer’s report:** Bette presented the current financials. Motion by Gene *“to approve the financial statements from September and October, 2018 as emailed and presented by Bette Blinde”.* Second by Paula. Motion passes 3-0.

**Old Business:**

**Moving Accounts from Wells Fargo:** Bette reported she has closed all the Wells Fargo accounts. Only credit cards are currently associated with Wells Fargo as of now. Wells Fargo sent a check for overpayment due to the department when the lease agreement was finalized.

**Station 4 Report-** Bette reported the construction company’s performance bond was approved by the USDA and USDA plans to sign off on the building contract tomorrow. The next step is for her to send a letter to the contractor stating that everything is a go and building construction will begin.

**2019 Budget Discussion:** There were no public comments concerning the 2019 Budget. Bette motioned, *“to approve the 2019 budget as presented”.* Second by Gene. Motion passes 3-0.

**EMS Conference:** Five Poudre Canyon EMTs attended the EMSAC Conference in Keystone November 8-11<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

**Appreciation Dinner:** The appreciation dinner is scheduled for November 30<sup>th</sup> at the Mishawaka. Social hour is at 6:00pm and dinner at 7:00. Chief Collins has 34 reservations to date.

**Website:** How to make the Poudre Canyon website more efficient was discussed. Bob Maynard and Gene Mericle will work together on the issues. Gene will contact the provider for more information.

**Jet Blue Grant:** Paula played the one-minute video that was submitted on November 5<sup>th</sup> for a \$25,000 community grant offered by Jet Blue. The video explained that we will need this grant to finish and furnish Station 4. The window of opportunity to submit this video was 5 days and the grant will be awarded to the winning nonprofit after November 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Xmas Tree Fundraiser:** The fundraiser will be December 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup>. An organizational meeting was held this afternoon with chair, Ralph Matzner. This year will operate like last year. We will be accepting boot donations for free coffee, cocoa, candy canes and dog biscuits.

**Colorado Trust:** Bette attended a Colorado Trust meeting in Denver for information. The trust allows for secure investment of which we have 3 accounts. Money could be saved in these accounts for early prepayment of our loan. In the meeting they recommended that most bills be paid online as checks can be stolen.

#### **Reports:**

**Chief:** Chief Collins reported that there had been 4 **calls** in October- 3 medical and 1 smoke report that turned out to be a fire. He attended the **EMSAC** conference. Chief ordered and replaced expired **AED pads** on Rescue 1 &2 and E641. He took **Rescue 2** in for **new tires** and had an **800 radio** installed in the back. **Rescue 1** will have its 800 radio installation in late November. He reported that both ambulances have passed the Health Department inspections for license renewal. 'Peacemakers' from upper canyon, donated 4 pairs of **extrication gloves** and 2 **portable scene lights** to the department. He announced the Dec 1 & 2<sup>nd</sup> Xmas Tree Cutting fundraiser.

**Station 1:** Nothing

**Station 2:** Chief reported that the generator that was borrowed needs to be returned.

**Station 3:** Nothing

**Station 4:** See above.

**Building Committee (Station2):** No report

**CLPFEG:** Bette provided copies of their current financial report. No USDA funds for Station 4 construction have been spent yet. A \$3,000 Steffins' Family Foundation grant was received.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:45. Motion by Bette, second by Gene. Passes 3-0

**Next Meeting:** December 12, 2018- Upper Canyon 7:00pm