

Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District Regular Meeting
Of the
Board of Directors
May 12, 2021 - 7:00 pm Lower Canyon

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Acting President Greg Danhoff at 7:05 pm. Additionally board members Paula Collins, Bette Blinde, and Boots Jaffee were present. Visitors were PVREA representatives Tony Francone , Zach Borton and Chief Hugh Collins.

Approvals:

Minutes: Motion made by Bette “*to accept the April 14, 2021 regular meeting minutes as emailed.*” Second by Greg. Motion passed 4-0.

Treasurer’s report: Current financials were passed out and reviewed by Bette. She again advised she would be transferring the lease amount and monies to reduce the principal on the loan into CLPFEG’s account for the September payment now that 2021 tax monies are being received. Motion by Bette “*to approve the financial statement ‘as of May 4, 2021,’ as presented by Bette Blinde*”. Second by Greg. Motion passes 4-0. She also later in the meeting provided the group with updated Fire and Police Pension Association (FPPA) information on the current balance.

Old Business:

REA Presentation- Two representatives from PVREA discussed the energy audit that was done last in March, on ways the fire department can save on energy costs. Smart thermostats, electric cove heaters in conjunction with “peak and off-peak” usage, and a door seal at Station 3 would help a lot. REA will again review the data and get a contractor bid.

Grants:

Ambulance Grant- Bette and Hugh will have a follow up “Zoom” meeting on May 14th to answer additional questions about the ambulance grant application.

Generator Grant- Collins Control has the generator and will deliver and set it this week.

Ashes to Art- Paula reported that the silent auction is happening now. (Auction ends May 15th)

Newsletter – The Spring Newsletter has been sent both by email and USPS.

Repeater at Station 1: Chief Collins reported that there has been a delay on the Lumem (CenturyLink) part of the repeater project, as the original representative apparently ordered the wrong product and has since gone on paternity leave. Another rep is looking into the project, now.

Signage for Station 4: The lettering has been approved and the engraved stone should be ready the end of this month. Our department will deliver and set the stone.

New Business:

New Chipper Grant – Bette reported she is in the process of resubmitting the grant for a chipper as more grant money is available.

Sandbags and Dumpsters- Sandbags and Dumpsters have been delivered by the county to most of the predetermined locations. The dumpster at Goodell Corner is almost full.

Governor’s Visit: Station 2 hosted a visit from the CO Governor Polis, Senator Bennett, Congressman Neguse and the US Secretary of Agriculture on May 7th in the fire bay. (The station was used for a round table discussion with local entities including Chief Collins, the forest service, emergency services and others before a tour of the Cameron Peak Fire burn area and followed by a press conference at the station.)

July 4th Station 4 Open House- Paula reported she has applied for a \$500 microgrant from the county and asked the board for the matching amount. *Motion by Greg to spend \$500 for the Open House at Station 4*". Second by Boots. Passes 4-0. Discussion about best date.

Reports:

Chief: Chief Collins reported that we had 5 calls in April, the new door has been trimmed thanks to Greg Venette at Station 2. E642 is back in service thanks to Chief Collins and John Zumbro. E642 now can draft. Parts for the new truck are arriving. Now we need the chassis. The generator is expected to be delivered this week. He has been updated about the repeater at Station 1.

EMS: Paula noted we will need to provide "go bags" for our newest EMT if he doesn't already have one, and our EMRs when certified. She will consult the EMS coordinator.

Station 1: Boots reported they are having trouble charging equipment on Rescue 1.

Station 2: Greg reported he purchased a new American flag and will put it up.

Station 3: There is a question as to where the property line is. Hugh will check.

Station 4: Now that the weather has improved, the fence should be completed in the near future.

Building Committee (Station2): Nothing new.

CLPFEG: Bette provided the current CLPFEG financials. She advised us that she has filed the 990 form and filed with Sam.gov and the State of Colorado.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn Greg, second by Bette. Passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Next Meeting: June 9, 2021 - 7:00 pm at Station 2 Community Center.