

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SECURITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Security Fire Protection District held a regular board meeting on December 12th, 2023, such meeting duly posted for public notice.

A quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairmen Smith.

1. Roll Call:

- a. Directors present: Chairman Smith, Director Jerby, Director Boyer, Director Boudreau
- b. Also present: Deputy Chief Marrs, Stacey Popovich, BC James, BC Caddick, BC Chambers, EMS Captain Mesick

2. Public Comments:

- a. David Bacharach voiced his concerns about the memorial and is looking for a status on whether it is getting moved, torn down, or maintained differently.
- b. Glen Silloway: voiced concerns with that it would be nice if a joint committee could maintain the wall.

3. Administrative Reports

- a. Director Boudreau made a motion to approve the minutes with a 2nd by Director Boyer. The board unanimously approved the minutes.
- b. Director Boudreau made a motion to approve the financials with a 2nd by Director Boyer. The board unanimously approved the financials.

4. Operation Reports

- a. Ambulance/EMS Service – nothing to add
- b. Fire Inspections – nothing to add
- c. Training – nothing to add
- d. Vehicle Maintenance – Contract with the mechanic at BFFR will start after the 1st of the year.
- e. Stations- BC Chambers spoke about Station 4 and the urinal overflowing. BC Chambers is going to look into a water detection device. Station 1 & 3 need to have the tile deep cleaned. Station 2 needs new flooring.
- f. Wildland –BC James spoke about annual tests are coming up in January so we are ready for the season. Chief Girardin added that we have 4 bills outstanding in the amount of \$300K.
- g. BC Highlights:
 - i. A-shift: BC James- Station 4 responded to an extrication in Ellicott's Fire district. Mom is still in the ICU but the son who had unfastened seatbelt was released today.
 - ii. B-shift: BC Caddick- Every snowstorm this month has been on B-shift. Call came in as cardiac arrest. An 86-year-old woman who drank bleach may have been forced by son, ongoing further investigation.
 - iii. C-shift: BC Chambers- Responded at 4:30 am to biological dad entered the home of mom and stepdad and shot and killed stepdad. Their life save was

a 56-year-old stroke call, it was actually their second stroke. Hopeful for a positive outcome.

5. New Business

- a. Money-Market Rates:
 - i. Through Five-star they assure us all of our money in one location at 102% insured. Community banks they are insuring it in \$ 250,000.00 increments scattered through several of their banks.
- b. 2024 Budget pending County:
 - i. Proposition HH failed so they held a special session and we are not received our final certifications in the mail until after December 20th. The Certification of Mills is due no later than January 10th, 2024.
 1. Director Jerby made a motion to move the January Board meeting to January 2nd, with a 2nd by Director Boyer. The board unanimously approved the moving of the board meeting to accommodate the new deadlines.

6. Old Business

- a. Memorial Wall:
 - i. No movement of plaque at station 1.
 - ii. 25 volunteers are paid stipends monthly when they pick up shifts
 - iii. President Smith proposes a committee of one board member, one paid firefighter, one volunteer officer, one volunteer firefighter, and one retiree sit and come up with a plan for the maintenance of the wall.
- b. 2024 Budget Hearing:
 - i. Director Boudreau made a motion to open the public hearing for the 2024 Budget, with a 2nd by Director Jerby. The board unanimously opened the hearing.
 - ii. No comments were made.
 - iii. Director Jerby made a motion to close the public hearing for the 2024 Budget, with a 2nd by Director Boudreau. The board unanimously closed the hearing.
- c. Petition for Inclusions
 - i. The Sheriff's office conducted a county-wide audit of lots that are not affiliated with a fire department. The EMS Captain and the Executive assistant walked and met with homeowner's who were home and educated them on what this could cost them in the event of a fire. Everyone so far has been eager to sign their petition. Letters went out on December 12th to homeowners as well. Hopefully in February we will have collected all 48 signatures and will present at that Board meeting.

7. Chief's Reports

- a. Chief Marrs:
 - i. Frontline physicals are beginning their 4-step process in January
 - ii. 12/19 we are having our retiree and staff dinner
 - iii. 12/16 Santa will be at Station 1 from 11-2
- b. Chief Girardin:

- i. Widefield School District 3, counselors from Mesa Ridge and Widefield
 - 1. Essay, Letter of Recommendation, above a 2.5 GPA. Put a panel of the counselors and Board members who read through the essays.
 - 2. Going through UC Health is cheaper than the college.
 - 3. Director Boudreau: What legal take do we take if they don't finish?
 - 4. President Smith: Maybe interview the top couple candidates?
 - 5. Ceremony at Senior awards night we gift them their scholarship.
 - 6. Director Boudreau: Were we doing one scholarship post high school or only high school?
 - a. No, not at this time.
 - 7. Were we covering prerequisite classes?
 - a. Director Boudreau: put some responsibility on that kid.
 - 8. This is being paid out of wildland funds, not taxpayer dollars.

8. **Adjournment** There being no further business, the board adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Stacey Popovich
Executive Assistant

APPROVAL

The forgoing minutes, which have been approved by the affirmative majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Security Fire Protection District, are a true and accurate record of the meeting held on the date stated above.

Pete Smith, President

Jason Boyer, Secretary/Treasurer

Ken Jerby, Director

Mark Davis, Vice President

Jim Boudreau, Director