

Gateway-UnawEEP Fire Department Board Meeting
Scheduled time: 6:30pm
September 16, 2014
Gateway Community Center

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman Fred Bolton

Present: John Fuller, Fred Bolton, Lisa Eakle and Kristina Harms Board Members; Dorothy Espe – Secretary;

Absent: Madonna Dormaier, Board Member; Mason Braddock, Student Board Member; David Anderson – Fire Chief

Guests: none

August minutes were accepted as written.

There was no public input – No bills or appropriations

Fire Chief Report:

None – David in Alaska

Chairman's Report

6x6 is at Fast & Easy getting pump installed & electrical wiring. Paint & lights are done – looks great – traffic stopper – goal is to have it in Gateway for Dynamite Shoot & park at the shoot.

Treasurer Report:

Budget due October 15th – need ending 2013 actual numbers & value certification from county. Fred will get 2013 actuals and 2014 ytd actuals from Dalby Wendland. There was a motion by Lisa to move October meeting to 2nd Tuesday, October 14th. This would get budget in on time & both Lisa & Dorothy would miss meeting if held on the 21st. John 2nd the motion and all were in favor.

Kristina estimates \$10,500/year overhead – insurance adds \$14,000 – annual expenses are usually around \$30,000 – leaves \$20,000 for other expenses.

Volunteer account - \$22,000

District account - \$86,000

\$50-\$60,000 will be written for 6x6.

Dynamite Shoot

Fred strained his Achilles tendon but hopes to be ok by shoot time. Need help on Friday all day & Saturday AM for setup & putting targets out. Julie has purchased shirts. Fred will get

snacks after the shoot this year – will use what is on hand in firehouse & then replace those. Bomb making will start at 6AM October 4th.

Old Business:

Regarding future pumper purchase – need to set aside money next year – missed several opportunities since funds were not available – may be blessing. People are building multi-story buildings. FD may need to purchase ladder truck. Need to meet future needs – not much cost difference in pumper with or without ladder.

Door locks & Security Cameras – David & John got bids from Best Locks - Pricing was better up to the programmable locks – then higher than Simmons. Programmable lock has 100 codes available – low end does not report on activity. Locks work well on west facing doors that get high heat. Need to also lock inside door but Community Center is using a storage room – could offer to move them to GUFD purchased storage unit . Fred will talk with Elda. Best bid on locks is Simmons - \$1615/lock for auditable or \$910/lock for 100 codes not auditable.

John had suggestion using cameras – Rudy at Gateway Canyons agreed to donate damaged laptop to Fire Department – works fine if sitting on a table – John passed out costs sheets (attached to minutes) Wilson Cabling would sell cameras to Fire Department at cost. Three cameras with donated laptop & all required hardware & software would be \$1,073.56 – upgraded to IR lighting cost would be \$1,754.56. They record continuously but throws away anything without motion – can be programmed time to keep before & after motion. Audit trail would be on camera with live video feed. Quoted switches would support 4 cameras if needed. Set it up & let it run. Program would delete when hard drive full – probably one month – or could save on external drive & have more storage.

Lisa questioned whether losses were worth \$4,000 expense (Low end locks & cameras) Vandalism would cost more than that. Insurance has never asked if there is security system – might lower rate. Camera is simple to maintain – software is on desktop & runs all the time – computer would restart with power outage – could use UPS for cameras.

Lia made a motion to purchase the locks for \$910/ each (\$1,820) Kristina seconded & all were in favor.

Kristina made a motion to get 3 cameras with night vision for \$1,754.56. Lisa seconded and all were in favor. John will purchase camera setup & file for reimbursement. Fred will write to Gateway Canyons to accept laptop donation with street value of \$300.

New Business:

Someone shot up a chair at shooting range. Fred suggested getting targets made and selling them cheap at Store – signs would be posted at range saying that they are available – all were in favor.

Meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 7:37PM – back in regular session at 8:27PM

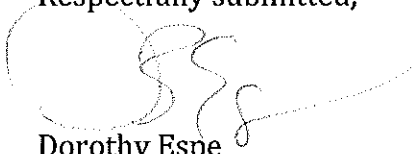
HIH (parent company of Gateway Canyons) is offering to simplify personnel & staffing issues by allocating \$146,000/year to the Fire Department to be used for staffing. Would give the fire department the opportunity to hire a Fire Chief & a 2nd person or possibly contract a 2nd person – both would have to be ALS qualified. John felt that the offer had to be considered since the Department could not hire a Fire Chief without assistance. New system would take work to get in place.

There was a motion by John to accept the offer from HIH. Kristina 2nd and all were in favor. Fred will talk to city of Grand Junction for help in recruiting and hiring.

The October meeting will be held October 14th.

There was a motion by Lisa to adjourn. Motion was 2nd by Fred and all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:35PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dorothy Espe', with a long, sweeping horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dorothy Espe
Secretary

