



Board Meeting Minutes April 25, 2017

Board Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Members Present: Fred Bolton, John Fuller, Eileen Gooch, Joe Thyssen

Public Present: Ray Gooch, James Wood

Minutes from 03/28/17 Meeting approved as submitted.

Appropriations

Hearings

Fire Chief's Report

(Attached)

Web design – Chief to take care of any changes

Equipment on loan to Driven – board agreed it's time to get equipment back

Dedicated Stand-by Services – Board discussed billing/cost for dedicated stand-by services to be addressed on case by case basis, or if needed via email. John suggested to set rates and standards. Fred asked if Grand Junction or other department has contract to use as opposed to having counsel create.

Motion by Eileen to move forward with fees and format for Special Events

Joe Second

All in favor / no opposed

Motion carried

Motion by Fred to give Chief latitude to look for contract from other fire departments

John Second

All in favor / no opposed

Motion carried

Hiring process – looking to have 3 or 4 people to staff; ideal situation is to have a roster of 20 for each slot

Requesting resolution from Board to absolve the amount of \$21,078.61 identified as a loan owed by district to department – Fred said this was never intended to be a loan but rather a transfer and not paid back.

Motion by Fred to absolve \$21,078.61 identified as loan owed by district to department

Joe Second

All in favor / no opposed

Motion carried

Approval of Fire Policy Manual – several sections printed and ready for review/approval. Because this policy was generated by Lexipol and only changes are highlighted in blue, Fred suggested Board only review those changes rather than read in its entirety. Board agreed.

Fred stated anything that is policy has to be done in an open meeting in public format. Further to implement any policy on an interim basis must meet specific criteria.

Fred would like to have policy 202 reviewed by attorney to ensure we do not conflict with special district rules. Chief would like to hold as there may be additional policies for attorney review.

Motion by John to adopt policies as submitted omitting policy 202

Joe Second

All in favor / no opposed

Motion carried

Chairman's Report

Volve was never titled; need to submit 'lost title' request and department will need to purchase surety bond.

Fred will work with Daniel Plunkett (insurance representative) on value.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer no present; account balances not given

Unfinished Business

Spring Dynamite Shoot – All preparations ready. Fred asked Board to consider raising shoot and entry prices for fall shoot; propose raising entry price to \$15 and shoot price to \$2.25

Volunteer Appreciation BBQ: All set – Saturday May 6 at noon, Community Center

Tacoma – deadline to have all receipts in by June 30

New Business

June Board Meeting – June should be relatively light meeting

Mailings – need to check into bulk mailing costs as postage becoming too costly

Public Input

Executive Session

Motion by Eileen to Adjourn

Joe Second

All in favor / no oppose

Motion carried

Adjourned at 8:21pm

1. Fire Chiefs Report:

- Incidents, Station, Equipment, District and Finance
 - Incidents in March
 - 5
 - District
 - Fire Danger – remaining at moderate
 - Station
 - Attic cleared out
 - Sale of items at dynamite shoot – there will be a table with goods; Nancy (community center representative and cashier for items sold in community center) will direct a purchaser of an item to the Dynamite Shoot Cashier for payment; cashier must generate receipt to allow party to pick-up purchased item from Nancy
 - Website – new website is alive – it will now be on a twice annual update plan, following each dynamite shoot
 - Next step – Constant Contact theme to match website
 - Equipment
 - A121 – triband radio installed – awaiting programming – will continue remainder of radio updates as time allows
 - B121 – returned and in-service
 - B122
 - limited service
 - awaiting title acquisition from GUFPD board
 - skid unit onto craigslist for \$5000 obo
 - slated for trade/sale for one reliable tender
 - E121
 - pump-and-roll pump remains OOS
 - at shop today having it installed
 - developed leak from tank recirculation plumbing
 - S121 – Toyota
 - Fred delivered Toyota to Av-Tech
 - Will pick up first week of May, via ride or flight to area
 - Will return to 4wd shop after AV Tech
 - S122 – Ford
 - no change
 - T121
 - Used for Foy Road service only in emergency
 - awaiting title acquisition from GUFPD board
 - slated for trade/sale for one reliable tender
 - T122
 - out of service

- awaiting title
 - slated for trade/sale for one reliable tender
- Budget
 - see report
 - Gallagher Amendment impact will be decreased by some changes, nominal difference
- Grants
 - No response yet from FEMA
 - CO EMTS submitted for 2018, includes technical rescue, swiftwater rescue and ambulance equipment mounts to appropriately secure equipment @ 50% match
 - Awaiting second part of defense in May – time and date to be announced
 - Submitted mineral lease grant – edited slightly from previous submission, but for same equipment – cell phone, stations booster, vehicle boosters @ 0% match
 - Not successful
 - Acquire \$9 per month membership to grant gopher as a trial at Linda's finding and request; this will hopefully illuminate some of the more obscure grant opportunities for us
 - Have Linda holding on grants for focus on completion of high priority projects
- Events and Training
 - Events
 - May Volunteer and Staff Appreciation Barbeque
 - Invites received
 - Fall dinner will only be for current personnel
 - Dedicated standby for BBC Top Gear occurred. Utilized Land's End Fire to help provide coverage, as
 - Training
 - Opportunities
 - Numerous, all being posted
 - Occurrences
 - Thom continues orientation program
 - ICS 300 for Rincon and Wood
 - S130/190 for Wood
 - RT130 for Ashcraft and Rincon tomorrow
 - Barnett must delay RT130 for scheduling
- Personnel
 - Majority of time (- approx.. 90%) double coverage since acquisition of additional funding; goal of 100% by June
 - Hiring process:
 - Approx 6 applicants for positions thus far
 - This hiring is critical! GUFDD has had and continues to have inadequate capability and poor rapport with other departments. Staffing is a critical building block to correct the challenges faced.
- Meetings
 - GJRCC Meeting – none occurred

- Rural Communications Technical Committee
 - Unable to attend April meeting
 - Making progress on having VHF resurrected, via formal change request
 - Making progress on having dispatch information aired FD channels as well as dispatch channel, also via formal change request
- Mesa County Chief's Meeting
 - New legislation allows fire districts to impose impact fees on developers
 - MCFCA looking at collaborative study on impact fees; potential collaboration on implementation of fee structure rather than all department having independent fee structure
 - Reporting software must be in place by January of 2018 – MCFCA has voted that
- Fire/EMS Cooperative – remains stalled
- EMS Council – do not routinely attend (optional meeting)
- Gateway Property Owner's Association
 - routinely attending to improve department integration with community
- Gateway Community Club Meeting
 - Unable to attend April meeting
- Board Meeting
 - New Requests for Board
 - Please review and approve the most recent copy of department policies and procedures and approve
 - Requesting resolution from board to absolve the amount owed by district to department in amount of \$21078.61
 - Outstanding Requests for Board
 - Please provide details on 3/15 deposit in the amount of \$3336.50
 - Update sponsors list for GUFD page – provide Barnett copy of sponsors for 2017 spring dynamite shoot – others will be moved into past sponsors portion; this will occur for each shoot
 - Titles (critical project)
 - B122
 - T121
 - T122