

SOUTHERN PARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes for November 21, 2013 SPECIAL MEETING

- 1) **Introduction of Attendees:** Board members present are Sam Calanni, Amy Mason, Flip Boettcher, Harry Gintzer and Sec. to the Board, Roberta Smith. Anita Long is on an excused absence. Department member Chief Simpson is in attendance. Harry Gintzer left the meeting at 9:08 AM. A quorum of Board members remains.
- 2) **Call Meeting to Order:** The meeting is called to order at 8:12AM by Chairman Calanni.
- 3) **SPCFPD Board Vacancies:** Chairman Calanni will resign his Board position following the December 5, 2013 meeting. Sam states he will be available for assistance and consultation. Sam further announces that Anita Long, Treasurer also will be resigning early next year for personal reasons. Harry Gintzer's and Amy Mason's terms will expire in May, 2014 and an election must then be held. Anita Long's term is also up in May, 2014. Flip Boettcher's term will expire in 2016 at which time she will be term limited. At the December 5, 2013 Board meeting a new Board Chairman will be elected. The Treasurer is a position which must be on the Board. Although it is not mandatory to advertise the Board vacancies it is recommended to do so. A replacement must be selected within 60 days of the vacancy or the Park County Commissioners will appoint one.
- 4) **Guffey Charter School Support/Donation Request:** Pam Moore, Guffey School Principal addressed the Board regarding an opportunity for the Guffey School to purchase 20.45 acres which is currently for sale and is located behind the school. The access to this property is on Taylor Road in Cover Mountain. The asking price on the property is \$49.9K. Pam is hoping for a Park County Conservation Trust Grant of which the maximum amount would be \$25K. A community member has donated \$5K and the Guffey School will need an additional \$10K to \$15K. Pam is requesting a financial donation and a letter of community support from SPCFPD. Pam is on a quick turnaround time frame and would need commitment by Tuesday evening, Nov. 26th, 2013. Sam Calanni states it is legal to donate funds if it benefits the fire district. The Guffey School is interested in this property for two reasons. One reason is for expansion of the campus. The second reason is to gain improved internet service by June 2014. The school is now working with Exede which is not adequate. In 2014 all testing will be done on line. Pam states South Park Telephone could put up a tower which would be in line with Dick's Peak's tower. She passed around a picture of such a tower. Chairman Calanni will consult SPCFPD's attorney and get back to Pam by Tuesday. Sam states the District would need a guarantee to hang a relay on the pole which would be erected on the proposed property. He also needs to confer with Gordon Scott regarding the relay on Gordon's property. Sam states initially SPCFPD could provide a community support letter. Roberta Smith will call Mike Brazil to discuss the internet and cell service he is pursuing.
- 5) **Chiefs' Report (see Report):** Mike Simpson reported on highlights of the Chief's Report for Nov. 1st through Nov. 20th, 2013. On November 3 a memorial service at station #1 for Park County Sheriff's Deputy Joseph Hamilton. The Park County Undersheriff Monte Gore complimented Chief Simpson on the memorial service. There were approx 144 in attendance. Teller County Chief's Meeting on November 8. There was no update on the EMT class at Four Mile. Mike called Cripple Creek Ambulance regarding CEU classes. Mike is welcome to attend any CEU classes they will be holding. Chief attended the November 10th 9Health Fair meeting. The Fire Department will be providing support for the fair which will be held on April 19th. November 12th Training was held for propane emergencies and air breathing machine. November 16th Chief attended the Guffey Gorge meeting hosted by the BLM. They appear to be collecting data at this time and do not appear to have any immediate plans at this time. Chief Simpson's opinion is the Gorge should be developed and monitored or closed down. A Christmas party will be sponsored by the Auxiliary on Sunday Dec. 15th at 4:00PM at Station 1. Chief attended ES meeting in Fairplay on November 19th. A sales tax discussion ensued which could be used to provide better communication for Guffey. Mike was asked for a letter of support. Chairman Calanni stated he would not be in favor of providing a letter of

support. This item will be tabled until the December 5th Board Meeting. A new ID system for County emergency responders and County employees was passed at an approx cost of \$14K.. A table top exercise was performed for communications and verbiage used in communications. The November 19th training was on SCBA drills. Total calls to date are as follows:

Incident Responses:	Month	YTD
Traffic Accidents	1	13
Medical	1	29
Wild Fires	1	6
Smoke Reports	2	17
Structure Fire	0	3
Other	2	8
Total Calls	7	76

Amy Mason reported on a telephone call she received from Maria Mitchell Communications Manager who wanted to report some concerns South Park Ambulance has with SPCFPD EMS. The concerns are that South Park Ambulance has been providing ALS services. States they have a Mutual Aid Agreement but it is not mutual. Maria states they have not seen an increase in activity in SPCFPD to improve the EMS. Maria further stated South Park Ambulance had five calls and came all the way into Guffey and were then told to stand down. They were not happy about that. Maria also inquired about Chief Simpson's EMT credentials. Mike states he is nationally certified as an EMT Basic but he needs CEU hours to become certified in Colorado. He is currently working with Cripple Creek Ambulance to make up the CEU hours. He states he should be certified by 1st quarter of 2014. Amy suggested that our volunteers need to notify ambulances ahead if they will not be needed. Chief Simpson understands this procedure needs to be improved.

Chairman Calanni reported Jan Breslin had a meeting with Dr. Ross. Rule 6 which follows Rule 500 is the protocol Dr. Ross is requiring us to follow. We are to respond with an ambulance to all medical calls. The ambulance can be used as a holding area until an EMT is on board. The ambulance will not move from the incident site without an EMT and can then be transported as a BLS. If it is an ALS call arrange for ALS agency transfer/intercept and use best judgment if an ALS agency is not available for transport.

- 6) **Policies concerning Department Personnel:** There are misunderstandings regarding Reserve Member's application process and background check requirements. Policies 020 and 080 cover these issues and are to be reviewed by all BOD members for revisions if necessary. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.
- 7) **Chief's Health Insurance:** Chief Simpson has requested that in lieu of any salary increase next year that the Board approve a \$90 monthly increase in salary to pay for the \$90 increase in his medical policy. The medical policy enrollment deadline is Nov. 30th. Board discussion followed and Flip Boettcher had to leave the meeting creating the lack of a quorum. Without a quorum no decisions can be made. The issue is tabled until the next meeting.
- 8) **Adjourn Public Meeting:** Chairman Calanni adjourned the meeting at 10:20AM for lack of a quorum.

Respectfully Submitted by Roberta Smith, Secretary to the Board