



SOUTHERN PARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors' Meeting

2015 Sept 03 @ 07:00 pm

1) Introduction of Visitors

Dave Tilton

Grant Waldref

2) Attendees:

Board members present:

Ken Thomas - Chair
Flip Boettcher
Mike Parrish
Sandy Rucker – Treasurer
Steve Wilson

Excused:

(Mike Brandt - Secretary to the Board)

Department members present

Chief Aaron Mandel
Eugene Farmer

3) Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 07:07 PM by Board Chair Ken Thomas.

4) Approval of Agenda:

Mr. Thomas moved to approve the agenda second by Ms. Rucker; motion carried.

5) Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the 2015.08.0 meeting by Mr. Thomas, second by Mr. Wilson; motion carried.

6) Director's Chief's and Committee Reports

a. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report is available at www.guffeyfire.net

No extraordinary items to report this month – the Department is under budget on most categories.

Ms. Rucker moved to approve the following 2 payments, each was seconded by Board Chair Thomas and the motions carried.

1. \$850.00 to Memorial Hospital for EMT Training charges.
2. \$715.44 to Roundtree for medical supplies (backpack, backboard, straps)

b. Regulatory Matters

Proposed Budget is to be submitted at October Board Meeting. It will be posted at Station No. 1, Community Center, Post Office and website by October 15th with a notice of budget hearing with appropriate notices.

Publish Notice of Budget in the Flume and on website no later than October 15th and most be submitted to the Flume before October 1st. Plan to review the budget on September 22nd at 7:00 pm as a special meeting.

Hearing on Proposed Budget will be held at November Board Meeting.

c. Chief's Report

Incident responses

| | <u>Month</u> | <u>Year to Date</u> |
|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| Traffic Accidents | 1 | 16 |
| Medical | 6 | 32 |
| Wild Fires | 1 | 5 |
| Smoke Reports | 0 | 3 |
| Structure Fire | 0 | 0 |
| Other | 1 | 6 |
| Total Calls | 9 | 62 |

Summary:

1. Medical radios – PEPPERCORN is working. Have tested it from the ambulances and it works.
2. Medical billing – Eugene Farmer contacted 4 companies that offer billing services and reported on responses from each.

The department would have to report to the state through their service with a detailed report. Medicare and Medicaid have adopted reporting standards which incorporate the new 30,000 diagnostic standards. Still to be determined is if Medicare/Medicaid require pursuing non-payment.

This will require a policy to handle discounting after insurance policies are exhausted. There are levels of hardship paperwork to support. We will need to determine how the policy must be written and must be reviewed by counsel. Fire district inclusion solely covered fire services, and doesn't cover EMS services.

Board Chair Thomas will follow up with counsel and the issue will be revisited at the next meeting.

After the presentation and discussion the Board complimented Mr. Farmer on the completeness of his report.

3. Guffey Gorge / BLM update: mid week calls have been more serious than weekend calls, often involving alcohol. The medical pack has arrived and will be put into service soon.
4. Command 9 repaired for less than forecast but there is a new front end rattle and the transmission is making noise. The computer is no longer responding to the OBDC unit.
5. No offers on equipment for sale. Unimog has been offered to the Sheriff's department and they will discuss it. The Unimog is an excellent wildland unit but is not flexible enough for this department.
6. Radios – Waiting on quote for new mobile radio. Hartsel may be able to help program what we have.
7. Brush 9-1 repaired for \$3,500 and back in service.
8. Black Mountain Family Reunion – all set. Will have deposit this week. Any donations will be focused on Kevlar bunker gear.

9. Medical supplies – new bag, backboard and spyder straps. Return rate is poor on backboards at Penrose.
10. EMT training and books have been obtained and paid for.
11. Ops. Chief training and 3-person staffing. Will require training for familiarization with the system used by the county and the county will be paying for the training.
12. Engine 9-1 and foam system repairs is the next big mechanical repair. Work can be done in Denver for \$160/hour for diagnostics. Chief Mandel recommends that the truck be inspected from end-to-end as it is the main structures truck and couldn't be replaced easily and for a cost the department could afford. He will get a quote for such a review and present it to the board for review.
- 13 County and fuel: a bill was received but it doesn't reflect the fuel charges on the credit card. We are routinely going to Evergreen Station or Canon for fuel. The County has been aware of the emergency department use of the fuel but hasn't solved the problem.

d. Auxiliary Report

Thanks to Eugene and Scott for trenching for the cable to the flag. We will schedule an electrician to make the connection and place an outlet on the outside of the building.

The 6x12 trailers reviewed on the internet cost between \$2,000 and \$3,500.

Turkey Shoot hasn't been reviewed yet.

7) Old Business

Cover Mountain Water Sources: Grant Waldref. The board is reviewing a solution that would have the charter school lease the properties for a science program while allowing the Department to obtain water whenever needed. The plan will be reviewed at the coming school board meeting and then reviewed with the Department.

8) New Business

Subdivision annual meetings update: Old Kathleen is the last meeting coming up this year. Ms. Rucker and Mr. Parrish will attend. Last week Mr. Parrish went to the 4-Mile/2600 meeting and it was well received. The Witcher Mountain/4600 group wanted contact prior to the meeting as their schedule was very tight for the meeting.

9) Adjourn meeting:

Motion to adjourn was made by Board Chair Thomas. Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m. by Board Chair Thomas.

Reminder: Next Board of Director's Meeting is Thursday October 1st, 2015 @ 7 pm

S.P.C.F.P.D. Mission Statement:

The Mission of the Southern Park County Fire Protection District is to provide fire protection and emergency rescue operations within its 240 square mile district boundaries; encourage fire and human caused disaster prevention through community education; ensure the existence of a properly trained team of primarily volunteer firefighters who are able to, and motivated to, respond professionally and work safely; acquire and maintain the necessary equipment; and provide mutual aid to neighboring fire and emergency services departments, as requested.