

Southern Park County  
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Mike Parrish, Director  
Mike Smith, Director

**SOUTHERN PARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
**Regular Board of Directors Meeting**  
August 3, 2023 @ 6:00 P.M.

**1) Introduction of Visitors**

Gena Farmer

**2) Attendees:**

**Board members present:**

Ken Thomas  
Mike Brandt  
Elaine Campbell  
Mike Parrish  
Mike Smith

**Excused Board Member:**

**Department members present**

Chief Aric Stahly  
Barry Picker  
Ric Scheffel

**3) Call to Order:**

Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM by Board Chair Ken Thomas.

**4) Approval of Agenda:**

Mr. Thomas moved to add an executive session to the posted agenda, second by Mr. Brandt; motion carried.

**5) Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes from the 2023.07.08 meeting by Mr. Thomas, second by Mr. Parrish; motion carried.

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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.

**6) Director’s Chief’s and Committee Reports**

a. Auxiliary Report

Upcoming events: Garage sale Sept 3-4, BMFR Sept 10-11, Guffey clean up breakfast and the Chili Cook-off October 7.

b. Chief’s Report

New tracking method for volunteers responses to calls.

Incident responses

	Month	Year to Date
Traffic Accidents	0	17
Medical	2	42
Wildfires	3	3
Smoke Reports	0	4
Structure Fire	1	2
Mutual Aid	1	10
Other	1	9
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>87</b>

Water Usage:

- Fire Station total: 1,225 gallons
- K&B: 430 gallons
- Training and Maintenance: 150 gallons
- Suppression: 645 gallons
- Road & Bridge: 105 gallons
- Community Center: 150

Summary:

1. Equipment status

- a. New Command truck- DTR Antenna fixed. Works excellent.
- b. Engine 9-1 will go to TransWest in Co Springs when Clifford is back.
- c. Engine 9-2 (Clifford) is currently at Dirk’s
- d. Med 9-2 has been sold.
- e. Squad 9-3 has been repaired but is still starting hard. Will be sending it to Bad Rock Auto asap.

2. CIP Projects

- a. Getting rock from Van Egmond for rest of driveway.
- b. TAC 9 West radio channel has proven to be exceptional.
- c. Would like to move forward on Extrication equipment- at least combi-tool for command truck.
- d. Station 3 exterior remodel is complete with exception of one small patch that needs paint between upper and lower roof, due to bird nesting.
- e. Cameras for fire stations need to be ordered/purchased. Will install as soon as they arrive. Have volunteers to help install. Will select unit with 4 cameras and CAT-5 connection to recorder.

3. Personnel Status

- a. 18 Active members
- b. 8 Reserve members
- c. 4 EMTs will be attending a trauma symposium Aug 24-25.

4. Event

- a. "Stop the Bleed" community education class July 15; went well, was well attended.
- b. Chief proctored Hartsel FPD practical exams July 22; 17 members of Hartsel, Lake George, and Jefferson-Como FPDs passed and took their written exams last night. No update as to how many passed successfully.
- c. Chief registered for Chief Officer Field Training Academy September 6-7 in Evergreen, CO. Neighboring chiefs Cook, Bernstetter, and Greasby are also attending.
- d. Trauma Symposium Aug 24-25.
- e. Chili cook-off plans are underway.
- f. Coordinating an appreciation pizza party with CO Mtn Distillers for the entire crew.
- g. Jennifer and Rich Taylor will be wed September 9.
- h. Chief would like to plan vacation on September 18-25 for Troy Dabney's graduation from Marine Corps Boot Camp.

5. Grants – admin is starting to track available grants. Brenda will be sending a list of available grants to Rebecca. There is a \$400.00 subscription fee to SAMS that encompasses both Federal and State grant programs. County may be able to supply information as well from their new purchasing coordinator.

c. Regulatory Matters

Certificate of Valuation should be received around Aug 25<sup>th</sup> – this is the preliminary report of valuation.

d. Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report is available at [www.guffeyfire.net](http://www.guffeyfire.net)

No extraordinary items to report this month.

**7) Old Business**

- 911 update – emergency services will work with the GIS system update. Mr. Smith will encourage the system improvements needed to identify addresses in our district. Assessor files have 2 addresses for properties – local address and mailing address. Active GIS project to improve the record file system.
- CIP Plan update
- NarCan program update – medical director approved on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and other districts have asked to see the plan. Tracking of opioids that are turned in will be coordinated with the Sheriff's office.
- Budget committee will meet after annual assessment is received.

**8) New Business**

- Position realignments – Chief wants to establish a firefighter part-time paid position. Job would require 3 days/week and include vehicle maintenance responsibilities. Chief

will generate a job description and salary recommendation. As defined today this would not be a leadership position initially.

- Ambulance licensing scheme for 2024 – At present the ambulances are licensed by the County. Colorado has established a new program that will take over licensing in July 2024 and is not fully defined. Licenses will be for 2-years and there will be a fee for inspection (which is not yet defined). Training requirements are spelled out and background checks are required. Mr. Picker will update on the program as it develops.
- Future Equipment discussion – identify desired equipment purchases and priority list as a part of the upcoming budget process.

## 9) Public Input

None

- 10) **Executive Session** for discussion of a personnel matter – Section 24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S. and not involving: any member of the SPCFPD Board or personnel policies that do not require discussion of matters personal to particular employees.

Second by Mr. Brandt, motion carried. Meeting adjourned to executive session at 7:54 PM.

## 11) Reconvened meeting at 08:30 p.m.

- 12) **Resignation:** The Board has accepted Gena Farmer's resignation from the department and honors the improvement and leadership that Gena brought to the department. We wish her the best in any future endeavors.

- 13) **Adjourn meeting: Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m. by Board Chair Thomas.**