



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EVERGREEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT MAY 9, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Evergreen Fire Protection District was held on May 9, 2017 at the Administration/Training Building, 1802 Bergen Parkway, Evergreen, Colorado.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER Director Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE AND REFLECTION: The pledge of allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

ATTENDANCE

DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE: John Anderson, Mike Gregory, and Dr. Jim Mosby.

DIRECTORS EXCUSED: Dave Christensen and Director deDisse

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Frank Dearborn, Jay Griggs, Dave Montesi, Tom Davis, Chief Mike Weege, and Carol Hucker.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Director Gregory made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Director Mosby; motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- April 11, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes: Director Gregory made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Director Mosby; motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS:

- March 2017 Financial Report and Quarterly Report – Brendan Campbell presented the Quarterly update. This report also includes an EMS component that is done quarterly. This report allows us to highlight any areas and address any questions that need clarification. Trending under budget to date for the year in overall expenses. This is about 5.85% under budget. The EMS report shows 55% of services paid to date. Chief Weege asked the board about removing the benchmark from the quarterly report about EMS self-sustaining since the mill levy approval was to remove the expectation of EMS being able to self-sustain. The board felt that the inclusion of the percentage of self-sustaining is good information and interesting to follow to see the effect of changes in health care in 2018 and how this impacts payment for services. Director Anderson felt the data was valuable to keep for future reference. The 2016 Audit is anticipated to have the draft completed this week and we will be scheduling the audit committee to meet in the coming weeks in preparation for the audit to be presented at the June board meeting. Director Mosby made a motion to accept and place on file; Director Gregory seconded the motion; motion carried.

DIVISION REPORTS:

Administration / HR / IT:

- Evergreen Meadows May 8th HOA meeting – Chief Weege met with their board to discuss the property we have on Malamute that was deeded as a firehouse. They were asked to entertain getting the covenant changed to allow a change of usage and for us to sell the property. We were contacted by someone who would like to purchase the lot. It was discussed if the district would entertain options such as giving the HOA some support with the expenses of making this change, or if we would offer a percentage of the sale price to be used for improvements in their community park. They will meet again in June and Chief Weege will attend to continue the conversation. Proceeds from sale of the property will go into the savings fund for station 1 replacement.
- The governor has signed the Cancer Trust legislation. This will eventually combine with the Cardiac Trust. Chief Weege would like the board to consider purchasing this coverage for eligible firefighters (Career such as Dan Hrouda and volunteers that have 10 plus years of service. The budget would need to be reviewed to accommodate this additional expense. The trust supports treatment for cancers related to the performance of fire services. Director Anderson asked that Chief Weege provide a report on what we are currently providing in insurance coverage and a copy of the bill for the board to review. Chief Weege explained that one of the drivers of the bill is

that Workers Compensation would not recognize cancer as caused by the environment worked on a fire scene. This bill is presumptive. It is mandatory by the state that we participate in the Cardiac Trust. It will take some additional research to determine how this works for someone that began as a volunteer and transitions into a paid firefighter.

- We have been notified that we have received a CESA member of the year award for the 4th year in a row for our efforts to improve safety in the work environment. We will see if the plaque can be presented at the EVFD meeting in June. The board asked to be included in the meeting for the presentation.
- Pete Webb notified Chief Weege that his company received the Gold Pick Award from a national organization for their work on the 4A Safer Evergreen mill levy push last year.
- Leadership Evergreen – Chief Weege is part of the current class and they have been discussing their community project. They will be raising money to place a Smokey Bear sign that will include wildfire awareness at two locations entering the community that would be double sided so they benefit the adjacent fire district also. If there are enough funds they will install three signs.
- CO State Fire Chiefs Critical Issues Briefing: Thank you Annie for presenting. The Fire Chiefs have provided positive feedback about the presentation on the aging population and its impact on the fire service.
- Gallaher/TABOR update – The current legislative session will close without resolving this issue. Several proposals were presented but didn't have time to get approval. It will be back in the next session. In the meantime we will anticipate that the tax levy will drop from 7.96 to around 7.2. We will see the preliminary assessment figures at the end of the month. The directors reported that their property assessments are up 25 – 30%. Property values are up 11 - 35% in the district. Commercial property is flat because there are too many available.

Communications:

- Dispatchers working with JeffCom committees on radios, ops, CAD, and scheduling. Jenny attending many meetings, Shane, Luz, and Billy all participating on many fronts.
- Genesee & Highland will go live June 13th with a few things to work out with Foothills on their radio system.
- 80% of calls QA'd in April with 95.77% compliance. They are competing against each other and motivating each other to improve.

Fire Operations:

- Academy Graduation is Saturday, June 3rd at 9 am. In the final stretch of HazMat now. Expect 16 to graduate.
- FDIC – (Fire Department Instructors Conference) 4 firefighters attended and came back ready to share their new knowledge and skills with the team from their experiences with hands on live fire training and classroom work. Very motivating experience. Chief Weege noted this is an opportunity to participate in training with high level firefighters from city departments and reinforces our training program that we are able to seamlessly work together.
- Recruitment update - 14 applicants as of today. Director Anderson asked what caps the EVFD membership at 100. Chief Griggs explained that not all 14 will be accepted to academy and each year about 25% drop out. Along with retirements and resignations it generally holds at 100 or below. Chief Weege explained that this is the optimal level to sustain the gear and equipment for the department.
- Red Cards – testing is complete and all have their red cards except 4 or 5 chose not to pursue.
- Structure Fires – recent mutual aid call with Inter Canyon that involved a lot of on the ground labor to carry the equipment up a long drive.
- Morale and Station Crewing update – Director Anderson asked Chief Griggs how this is going following his election in January. It is being discussed to add some beds in the admin building in an unused office for overnight crewing. Those who crew run all calls north of downtown for call credit and south of downtown they get stand-by credit. They also get a meal reimbursement.
- The resident firefighter at station 1 has moved out and the agreement is being reviewed by the officers and the vacancy will be offered to the volunteers at the next business

Fire Prevention:

- Fire Extinguisher Service Day May 15th from 9-2.

- Dan mentored probe Mike Amdur on school project as he taught fire safety to a couple of grades of students at RMAE.
- Swede Gulch and El Rancho rezoning from commercial to residential is underway. It would have 200 homes per the plans. Also a 3 story motel will go in this area. Many other buildings in the area are applying to convert to combination commercial and residential such as the Canyon Courier building. Chief Weege reported that he contacted a realtor about the feasibility of rezoning the Troutdale property to residential. Access is still the issue. There are commercial buildings on two sides and houses behind the property.

Emergency Medical Services:

- Power Cot Grant reimbursement received \$78,418 – Thank you Tony for your work on this.
- Acknowledge the way EMS and Fire Ops are working together operationally in recent incidents. There have been some great saves and some unfortunate calls but they have been handled very smoothly. A recent cardiac call went from an Atrus call to a resident getting the AED deployed, the sheriff deputy on scene, the paramedics' arrival all went as smoothly as it should. Very pleased with how well things are going at the operational level. Director Anderson noted that operational success is a reflection of divisional leadership and that the leaders are setting up the training, the culture, the tools, and confidence to be successful. Congratulations to all.
- The new B shift supervisor will be Matt Fennell.
- Annie and Dave will meet with Dr. Vellman to discuss his expectations for the community para-medicine and mobile integrated healthcare programs for our community.
- Heart Safe Foundation – Dave will be submitting their application to get us designated as a Heart Safe Community. The program designates a community as 1 to 5 hearts based on what level of education, AED's etc. are present in the community. His goal is to be able to add this to the community welcome signs in the next year that we are a Heart Safe Community.
- EPAD golf tournament June 5th

Maintenance Division:

- Bear Mountain Cistern Update plumbing and burying are almost complete.
- Updated Work Order process, internal and customer – the process has been simplified and utilizes an existing program rather than replace it with a new system. The division team members are embracing the new process and are capable of entering work orders directly to the database and eliminating the paper copies.
- Ambulance Replacement (9522) – one of the old Ford models has reached the point of not being reliable or cost effective to repair out of warranty. Three sets of turbo chargers have failed and been replaced. It has been moved up on the schedule for a remount on a dodge chassis. Evan is putting together the quote. This will take the ambulance out of service for 3 months. A spending authorization will be brought to the board next month to consider for this replacement. Director Mosby asked about the status of the other two Fords. They are projected to be ten years out for remount. Director Mosby asked how many miles per year are put on the ambulances. Carol will provide the board members an answer via email from her annual tracking documents. Additional safety measures will be added to the patient area as they become available in the future.
- Station 1 and 4 will be reviewed by Chief Weege, Frank Dearborn and Evan Fosler for what items need to be done in order to extend the life of the buildings for another 8 to 10 years. We want to stabilize both buildings while a decision is made concerning remodeling or replacement.

Strategic Planning Implementation:

- No Report

Regionalization:

- Construction ahead of schedule and anticipated to be completed in September.
- www.jeffcom911.org is now live.
- CenturyLink contract was approved
- Employee screening process is in place so that a pool of dispatchers will be available for us to draw from if we have any vacancies.
- The JeffCo Board of County Commissioners filed a motion to contest the JCECA request to the Public Utilities Commission to increase the 911 charge on phone services by \$0.50. The motion states that the commissioners believe a \$0.25 increase is acceptable and have prepared a

budget reflecting their position. This will increase the time it will take for the PUC to review the request from the JCECA to increase the rate. Director Anderson replied that this was cockamamie for the record. The budget that the service users will pay will be what is budgeted for 2018.

- The Jeffcom board is reviewing Executive Director job description before it is posted. In the interim the project consultant is working closely with HR and the 3 operations managers to keep things moving ahead and on schedule. The timeline for when each agency will transition is being revised and an updated schedule will be released for the timing of the transition and the physical move. There has been an uptick in progress already.

MAY BOARD MEETING TOPICS:

Topic	Initiated	Scheduled/ Completed	Recommendations / Actions
Budget Committee	Feb-16	TBD	Update quarterly with report by Pinnacle
Overtime Report	May-16	TBD	Update quarterly

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget Committee: Director deDisse and Director Gregory
Personnel Committee: Director Anderson and Director Mosby
401a Pension Board: Director Gregory and Director Christensen
Audit Committee: Director deDisse and Director Christensen
Turnouts Auxiliary Committee: Director Gregory and deDisse

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- First Amendment to IGA for Dual Response – Auto Aid: Chief Weege explained that this amendment to the IGA will allow Genesee Fire Rescue to join. Director Mosby made a motion to approve the Amendment to the IGA; seconded by Director Gregory; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Spending Authorization 2017-010: Portable Radios - \$27,605.40: Chief Weege explained this purchase will place 10 VHF radios and chargers in the trucks. Director Gregory made a motion to approve the spending authorization; Director Mosby seconded; motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Director Gregory: Good to see Dave here tonight and prayers for continual healing. Glad and encouraged to hear the divisions are working well together on calls. This should always be our goal and it is good for the community.

Director Mosby: Commend Tony Shepperdson for his work in getting the pram grant. And also commend Dave Montesi for his work for Evergreen and for getting us in the position to be able to apply for the heart safe community designation.

Director Anderson: Ditto. Ditto. Cockamamie is defined as ridiculous, pointless, or nonsensical.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Director Gregory made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Director Mosby seconded; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATES:

Special Board Meeting Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at 5:30 pm in Training Rooms A & B
 Special Board Meeting Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the District Board Room
 Volunteer Pension Board Meeting Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 5:00 pm in Training Rooms A & B
 Regular District Board Meeting Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 5:30 pm in Training Rooms A & B

Respectively Submitted,
 Carol Hucker
 Recording Secretary