

NORWOOD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
P.O. BOX 411  
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MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 15, 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING  
Audio Recording Available

I. Call to Order: XXXX hours. Virtual Meeting using Zoom.com

Present: Jim Wells (Pres.), John Metzger (VP/PIO), Paula Martinez (Secretary/Treasurer), Dave Alexander (Board Member), Trace Griffith (Board Member), John Bockrath (Dist. Chief), David Blunt (Asst. Fire Chief), Matt Mogg (Chief Paramedic), Mark Garcia (Wildland Captain), Sonny Lopez (Dist. Admin.), Candy Meehan (Dist. Bookkeeper)

Online: Kathryn Westcott

Absent:

Others in Attendance: Will Malley, Mike Price, Zach Forbes

II. Executive meeting

III. Minutes from October 2021 Regular Meeting

A. Dave motioned to accept both minutes. John M. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's Report

A. Presentation and Approval of Disbursement

a. Dave motions to approve bills. Paula 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed

B. Monthly Budget Approval

a. Sonny & Candy presented.

i. Unpaid bills detail as of November 10, 2021 (1 pgs)

ii. Profit & Loss Budget vs. Accrual Jan 1 – November 10, 2021 (14 pgs)

iii. Profit & Loss Budget Overview January –

iv. Balance sheet as of November 10, 2021 (1 pg)

v. Trial Balance as of November 10, 2021 (3 pgs)

vi. US Bank Credit cards Acct. \*\*\*5514 statement

vii. Payroll liability balances Jan thru November 2021 (1 pg)

viii. Profit & Loss Jan 1- November 10, 2021 (4 pgs)

ix. Open invoices November 10, 2021 (1 pg)

C. Dave motioned to approve as explained. Paula 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.

V. Public Walk-in/Comments (Online Zoom) –

A. None

VI. Old Business

A. Fall Planning Session

a. 2022 Budget review Dec. 1 2021 at 6pm

b. 5-year plan

B. Pension committee update

a. Nothing new to report

VII. New Business

A. Wright's Mesa Water Planning MOU

a. Candy presented the planning prioritization project (see 15pgs)

i. Plan would need group grant acquisition for engineering study.

ii. Each entity would need to contribute \$5,000 in-kind.

1. West End Economic Development Corp, San Miguel County, Town of Norwood, Norwood Water Commission, Farmers Water Development Company, Lone Cone Ditch and Reservoir Company, Norwood Fire Protection District, San Miguel Water Protection District, San Miguel Watershed Coalition.

b. John M. moves to contribute \$5,000 towards matching grant and sign MOU. Trace 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed

VIII. Wildland Captain's Report

A. Alisol Fire deployment. Fire was mostly handled by air

B. Sierra National Forest deployment- was more of a severity role with area familiarization

C. Tentatively going available for region 8 Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>.

D. Tentatively might go available to help with Krugar Fire.

E. Currently 3 mitigation contracts

IX. Chief Paramedic's Report

A. EMT IV class clinical site might either be MMH or Delta Hospital. Looking at doing the class in January.

B. Will be trying to get all FF through an EMR certification course starting in January.

C. Affiliation with a college or hospital needs to be obtained in order to teach EMT class

- a. Matt looking into affiliation with Western Colorado Community College
- D. COVID
  - a. State mandates for vaccinations is possible in the near future
  - b. COVID testing at the station on weekends is helping community
- E. Matt will begin advertising for a contract paramedic for wildland
- F. Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month "as needed" CPR class will be held for the community to attend @ \$55 per person.
- G. NFPD movie nights for the membership will be held monthly

#### X. District Chief's Report

- A. Calls to service for August
  - a. Fire: 4 EMS: 30 Total for year: 220
- B. Montrose property addresses
  - a. John met with West End County Commissioner Roger Rash about the lack of good address markers.
  - b. It took EMS over an hour to figure out where a residence was at because there were no address markers to be found.
  - c. John will present the issue to the commissioner meeting
- C. Planning and Zoning meeting
  - a. Pinon Ridge subdivision was discussed (located south of the library)
  - b. Hank Williams sold his property for development. Room for about 100 new homes.
  - c. Montrose building department has advised KOA corner has been sold for housing
  - d. Calls for services will go up with housing development
  - e. Water demand will challenge water infrastructure
- D. Board training: Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> 0900-1500
- E. NFPD Short/Mid/Long range plan (see attached plan 11pgs)
  - a. increasing paid staffing positions
  - b. Equipment purchase
  - c. New multimillion dollar station
- F. Grants:
  - a. USDA 80%/20% matching grant for Polaris and equipment to respond to backcountry calls has been approved for \$40,000. 2 UTVs: 1 for EMS and one for Fire.
- G. Membership:
  - a. Fire academy practicals went very well. Everyone passed.
  - b. John wants to make the FF1 academy available to non-members for an academic fee
- H. Events:
  - a. Halloween Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> will be "Main St. trick or treating"
  - b. Noel Night Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> Will be having a chili cook-off
  - c. Breakfast with Santa Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> 0900-1100 at the firehouse
  - d. Recognition Dinner Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>
- I. Other Activities
  - a. None to report

#### XI. Announcements

- A. Recognitions Dinner
- B. Breakfast with Santa

#### XII. Adjourn

- A. 2140 hours
- B. Paula motioned to adjourn. John M. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.