

MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 14, 2020 BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
Audio Recording Available

I. Call to Order: 1926 hours. Virtual Meeting using Zoom.com

Present: Jim Wells (Pres.), Josh Walton (VP), John Bockrath (Dist. Chief), David Blunt (Asst. Chief), Sonny Lopez (Dist. Secretary), John Metzger (Dept. PIO)

Online:

Absent: Eric Brantingham (Board Member),

Others in Attendance: Nancy Wells (NFPD member),

II. Minutes from September 2020 Regular Meeting

A. Minutes unavailable. To be approved at November meeting.

III. Treasurer's Report

A. Presentation and Approval of Disbursement

a. Josh motioned to pay the bills as presented, Paula 2nd. Motion Passed.

- i. Google Suite duplicated charge: Charges URL purchase cost \$24 should be \$12 year. \$36.00 Month is for the suite, which is legitimate.
- ii. SOS registration duplicate charge: SOS a web newsletter. Not worth it and is like a scam. They have been emailed and a letter sent to discontinue.
- iii. Credit cards will be used in the future vs. debit cards
- iv. Unknown Amazon video charges

B. Monthly Budget Approval

IV. Public Walk-in/Comments (Online Zoom) – no one online or walk-ins

V. Old Business

A. Pension Board Updates

a. Study should be done by next month. Doug Avery will be off pension recipient list.

B. Nucla-Naturita Mutual Aid

- a. Still no response from them
- b. Chester refused to contact Norwood for assistance for a series of major calls
- c. Mutual Aid contract still needs to be signed.

C. Secondary Full-time Paramedic

- a. Matt Mogg has accepted position.
- b. He will tentatively be here October 23.
- c. Build an office space for Matt
- d. Desk, Chair and laptop donated
- e. Job description for Chief Paramedic, Matt Mogg provided by John B.
- f. QRV2 will now be EMS1

D. Wildland program updates

- a. Meet with Bruce Evans of Upper Pine River to discuss how to set up a wildland program
- b. Ridgway and Ouray are modeling things after us.
- c. Goal is to get a regional wildland center that includes surrounding agencies.

VI. New Business

A. Board Member opening

- a. Perri Gipner is no longer a board member due to moving out of district
- b. John has recommended to appoint Dave Alexander pending no appointment by Perri

B. Employee Health Insurance

- a. John has been searching for affordable health insurance for the department
- b. Bennett suggested using the insurance his department uses and some of the schools
 - i. PPO8 is the ideal plan (see attachment)
 - ii. Paid employees would be covered
 - iii. Total cost annually for 4 people would be \$46,404 which would include vision and dental.
 - iv. Paula motions to begin insurance plan asap for the PPO8 plan with vision and dental to enact by November 1st 2020. It will be paid by credit card if need be. Josh 2nd. Motion passes.

C. Board Meeting Date Change

- a. Move the meetings to every 3rd Wednesday of the month.
- b. Paula motioned to amend the bylaws to move the board meeting every 3rd Wednesday. Josh 2nd. Motion passes.

VII. District Chief's Report

- A. Calls to Service
 - a. September: 14 EMS call, 3 Fire calls, 7 transports.
- B. John's Health update
 - a. John does not have cancer but bad osteoporosis.
 - b. Needs total need replacement.
- C. Membership:
 - a. Fire Academy
 - i. State live burn trailer in Ridgway went well
 - ii. Other participating agencies provided high praises on NFPD performance.
 - b. EMR class coming up
 - c. EMT Class
 - i. Will be put on Pueblo Community College
 - ii. 4 back-up instructors
- D. Grants
 - a. AFG grant still in progress
- E. Events:
 - a. Recognition Dinner: Tentatively planned for November 6th @ 1830.
 - i. Sheila 30 years of service; Eric B. 39 years of service; Doug Avery 19 years of service; Linda 17 years of service; David Gene Cross award, Top responders (EMS) Nancy and (Fire) Kathryn
 - b. Football games
 - i. 3 home games. No spectators except 4 people friends and family.
 - ii. No homecoming bonfire
- F. Other Items
 - a. New Ambulance
 - i. Is going to be delivered to Norwood instead of us picking it up due to COVID complications with Customs. It is difficult to hand off vehicle to third party versus handing it off directly to owner.
 - b. Tactical tender
 - i. Still being built
 - ii. Should be done by February
 - c. UMC
 - i. John B. is meeting with the new CEO
 - d. John M. PIO
 - i. Wrote an informational article about repealing Gallagher
 - ii. Working on business plan for regional center

VIII. Announcements

- a. None

IX. Adjourn hours

Josh motioned to adjourn, Paula 2nd. Motion passed.