

**FORT LEWIS MESA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD of DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES
March 9, 2021**

Attendance: @Station 3

Directors: Debbie Lee	Others: John Lee (Fire Chief)
Brent Van Den Berg	Jeannine Glasby (District Admin. Asst.)
Ted Stahl	Absent: Paul Richardson (excused)
Ginny DeJong	

Debbie Lee called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes Approval: Brent **moved** that Minutes for the February 9th meeting be **approved**. They were **approved**, after Ginny's **second** of the motion.

Treasurer's Report:

- The February financial reports were reviewed and discussed. Checks were reviewed and signed.
- There was a **motion** to approve by Ted and **seconded** by Brent. Motion **Passed**.

Public Comment:

- Tom & Elaine Hartnett had donated \$200 to the District. A Donation/Thank you letter will be sent out. Also, a Donation letter to DJR Operating, LLC, will be sent, for the donation of pipe for bollards at Station 1.

Office Managers Report:

- A news release would be prepared to recognize the expansion of Station 1.
- Chief asked that the age for Jr FF might include the age of 15, if seen appropriate on a case-by-case basis. Debbie **motioned** to waive the requirement of Jr.FF age to start at 16 years old. Ginny **seconded** it. The Board **approved**.
- Two applications were presented to the Board: Hope Schmitt's Jr.FF application was approved (w/the waive of 16 year age requirement). and Levi Schmitt's application as an Active Non-Responder was approved.

Fire Chief Report-Out: Chief Lee call-in

- Chief asked for clarification on the FPPA 457 contribution matching. The District would match up to 5% of employee's base pay, matching whatever percent employee contributed, up to 5%. Noting the most it could cost the District, is approx. \$10,000.
- Station 3 carpet install might be delayed with Station 1, being the priority.
- The Chief presented the Board with a projection of the amount needed to bring Station 1 to the close of this phase. Including the concrete apron in front of the bays. The Board discussed and **approved** the amount NTE \$75,000, with a **motion** from Brent; a **second** from Ginny. The Chief expressed the need to be prepared with appropriate placement of apparatus in preparation for the commencement of Wildland season.
- Chief expressed appreciation for the donation of 200' of 6" pipe from DJR Operating, LLC, for Bollards for Station 1 expansion.
- Chief explained that the insulation for the expansion was donated between Main Stay Hotel owner and Young Builders. The Board was very appreciative.
- There are 29 on the Roster; 8 on the largest call in Feb; 10 EMT's; 2 applications presented earlier. Mary Mercier is moving and turned in her gear; 22 calls YTD.
- Station 1 hydrant concrete pad will wrap up that improvement, expecting to use any excess concrete from the apron pour.
- Station 6 water tanks will receive attention in Apr/May/June.
- Engine 74 is going to undergo a pump packing rebuild.
- The Chief apprised the Board of the re-keying of the Repeater Site door. He is trying to get a clear picture of others that have had access granted in the past.
- Training coming up: Wildland RT 130; Thursday evening classes are ongoing; The Tri-State FF Event will be attended by our team on Aug. 6-7th in Lewis-Arriola; Pac Test for Wildland red cards (15 expected). Wildland refresher Saturdays-Apr/May; EVOC training, continuing.
- Wildland T-shirts have been ordered, with future plans to have show of support on the sleeves.
- Chief shared an idea for the Re-occupying Ceremony/Open House for Station 1.

Old Business:

Action Item Review:

AI #302 marked complete. #352 will be Open House. Create #356.

- Station 1 expansion priorities were discussed earlier in the meeting. The Board talked about whether the new station could be used for member/public happenings and the consensus was that it should be used for FLM Fire Protection District activities.

New Business:

- Debbie presented the FLMFPD Long Range Plan (Strategic Plan) documents for: 2018-2023; 2021-2026; 2006-2018 Accomplishment Document. She asked that everyone look them over and give input and information by the next Board Meeting for the final documents.
- Discussed future Station 2 relocation. Jeannine was asked to locate information on past discussions of the subject. Creating AI #354; Also, AI #355-looking into replacing the District boundary sign on CR 141.

Executive Session:

- None

Meeting adjourned at 8:46

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannine Glasby
Secretary to the Board
Fort Lewis Mesa Fire Protection District