

**FORT LEWIS MESA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD of DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES
August 10, 2021**

Attendance:

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

Debbie Lee called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes Approval: Ginny moved that Minutes for the June 8th meeting be approved. They were approved, after Debbie's second of the motion.

Treasurer's Report:

- The June & July financial reports were reviewed and discussed.
- There was a **motion** to approve the reports by Brent and **seconded** by Ginny. **Motion Passed.** Checks were reviewed and signed.

Public Comment:

- A Thank you/Appreciation card to the responders from Barb McCall was read.

Office Managers Report:

- Jeannine reported that Todd Beckstead, Auditor for 2020, has submitted the Audit to the State Auditor's Office, on our behalf.
- The Pension Board meeting was scheduled for September 14th at 2pm. Jeannine said the Actuarial Report should be out the first week of September according to Melissa Sussman of FPPA.
- The Budget Committee meeting was scheduled for September 14th at 3:30pm.
- Debbie asked if anyone was interested in going to the SDA Conference. Jeannine said she would like to try and will be looking into it.

Fire Chief Report-Out:

- Chief expressed his appreciation for responders who continue to support the district and come out on calls. Driver's training has picked back up. Brent remarked that it is in large part to the quality of leadership Chief exhibits. Brent also said, "we hired the right person!" Debbie who recuses herself appropriately, agreed.
- Resource Orders, numbering 7, have been fulfilled. There was discussion on reimbursing the responders for their extended time spent. 4 responders who had significant overtime, will be paid at CRRF overtime rates. The checks were signed.
- The Chief said he would be seeking, for Seasonal Employee, 1 person for 20 weeks for the 2022 budget cycle.
- The Chief said the FLMFPD Picnic and softball game was a success and enjoyed by attendees.
- Tri State Certifications were valuable. Lewis Arriola did a good job, Brent reported. He will be sending a letter to organizers to make them aware of possible problems that might be looked at and avoided. FLMFPD lost the water fight. The participants did some good competing.
- Stage 1 Fire Restrictions have been rescinded. The process for enacting has been changed to go through the sheriff, as County Fire Warden, instead of through the La Plata Board of County Commissioners.
- 27 volunteers on roster; 16 was the largest response; 28 in the rolling quarter; 9 certified EMT's; 147 calls YTD; 2 applications were handed out at the Open House.
- The Chief is looking for a plumber to finish the boiler systems few remaining details at Station 1. Office space is also being worked on, to finish.
- Station 6- water tanks and hydrants being prepared to be functional in the spring.
- Digitcom Electronics ran diagnostic on Repeater Site and gave a good report on it. The equipment is good, and District was prepared for temporary outage.
- Training for Tri State complete; RFF coming in October. Debbie asked if it might be good to invite Mancos & San Juan County (Colorado) to join us. At this time, only 1 volunteer is doing it. Chief will gauge to see if FF1 might be better use of the time, if there are not more interested.

Old Business:

Action Item Review:

#'s 285, 342, and 273 were completed; #273 will be updated for Aug 2022.

- Chief asked the Board to revisit signage for Station 1 to identify it as a fire station-using the existing line of funding. Board approved as depicted by Anne DeJong's (large letters) drawing above bay doors. Also, decided that light shields are needed to focus light and be less obtrusive to neighbors.

New Business:

- Long Term Severity was discussed.
- Debbie asked Chief and Jeannine to ready their "Brag Sheets" for job review.

Executive Session:

- None

Meeting adjourned at 8:13

Respectfully submitted,

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