

Four Mile Fire Protection District Board Meeting

Date: 09/15/2021

Board Member attendees: **(P)** Lindy Luksch, President; **(P)** Steve Witcher, Treasure; **(P)** Jason Feagin, Secretary; **(P)** Ken Bay, Director; **(P)** Randy Bruggink, Director

Non- voting Board member: **(P)** Jay Teague, Chief; **(P)** Tori Capaci, Bookkeeper
(P- Present, A- Absent)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at **19:00** by, Lindy Luksch, President.

Previous Minutes:

- The previous minutes from were approved without corrections. There was no discussion. Randy Bruggink made a motion to Approve, 2nd by Ken Bay There was no discussion. Minutes Approved, Steve Witcher Abstained as he was not present at meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

- August Tax Revenue:
 - Total Tax Revenue \$5,226.43
 - Specific Ownership Tax Revenue \$2292.80
- August Donations:
 - Total Donations \$666.00
 - YTD Donations \$13,640.64
 - 2021 Donation Budget \$22,200.00
- August Fundraising:
 - Total Fundraising \$100.00
 - Total YTD Fundraising \$49,821.20
- August Expenses:
 - Total Expenses \$27,011.33
 - Total YTD Expenses \$213,914.41
 - Total YTD Budge Expenses \$474,293.88
- August Income:
 - Total Income was a loss of \$21,268.78
 - YTD Net Income \$89,708.05
 - YTD Tax Revenue \$239,456.13
- August Interest Earned:
 - Colorado Trust Interest Earned \$3.52
 - YTD Colorado Trust Interest \$43.18
 - Bank of the San Juans Interest Earned \$0.00
- Current Bank Balances:
 - Total \$230,249.79

- Total Assets, Liabilities and Equity:
 - Totals Assets \$880,963.98
 - Total Liabilities \$248,102.25
 - Total Equity \$632,861.73
- Randy Bruggink made a motion to approve the August Financials, 2nd by Ken Bay, no further discussion. August Financials Approved Unanimously.

Old Business:

- **Board and Volunteers**
 - Please check emails regularly.
- **Garage Sale 2021**
 - Gross Profits \$20,789
 - Expenses \$640

New Business:

- **Mill Levy**
 - Steve Witcher read the Mill Levy Resolution as it will appear on the ballot.
 - Monetary support must come from private individuals.
 - Yard signs, mailings, etc.
 - Super Cheap Signs has the 4 Mile information to make signs for anyone that wishes to purchase them.
- **Reaffirmation for the purchase of 800mhz handheld radios.**
 - Steve Witcher made a motion to reaffirm the purchase of the handheld radios, 2nd by Randy Bruggink. No further discussion, Approved.
- **Reaffirmation of SCBA Fill Station purchase**
 - Steve Witcher made a motion to reaffirm the purchase of the SCBA refill station, 2nd by Randy Bruggink. No further discussion, Approved.
- **Fire Brigade**
 - Set up a DBA for Four Mile Fire Brigade.
 - No other updates

EMS Report:

- Nora Orfanello is the now EMS Lieutenant.
- EMS bags are all in good order.
- Need another Lifepac15

Captain Pitts Report:

- Waiting on hub for 88.
- Dallas will be out for DOT inspections.
- E-32 is having a transmission issue.

Shop Foreman's Randy Bruggink Report:

- Thanks to Carl Sanders for all his help recently.
- Had a gentleman doing some community service, did a great job.

Captain Benavidez Report:

- Call Volume
 - Fires :4
 - Rescue & EMS: 9
 - Hazardous (No Fire): 1
 - Service Call: 6
 - Good Intent: 11

Chief's Report:

- New SCBA fills station in house:
 - Can fill 3 bottles on site
 - Refurbished unit for \$9995
- Trainings:
 - Jeff Adams – New EMR
 - Attending refresher EMT class at PPCU
 - 4 volunteers to ISO classes
 - Supervisory Class – Assistant Chief Bittman
 - Fire Instructor – Assistant Chief Benavidez
 - Wildland Fire – Captain Sanders and Cade McKee
 - Sept 28th & 29th – Live Fire Training.
 - Water Rescue Training in a pool.
- Fire Camera System Beta Site:
 - Fire detection cameras on Mt. Pisgah, notify dept of possible fires.
 - Install next year
- 800mhz Radios:
 - All installed.
 - Working on the Teller Policies and Procedures.
 - Will be ratified at Chief's Council meeting tomorrow.
 - Working very well.
- Driver Trainings:
 - Assistant Chief Bittman is revamping.
- Level One Fire Ban:
 - Severe Fire Danger.
 - No Slash burning.
- Bunker Gear:
 - Finalized the order, should arrive in 6 to 8 weeks.
- Fire Hose:
 - Ordered new fire hose, should be here in 10 to 15 days.
- FedEx/UPS:
 - We have a new package drop outside front door.
 - More secure and protect packages from the weather.
- County Chipper Program:
 - Start our 2nd session next week.
 - CCME, High Chateau and Bear Trap.

- Wildland Symposium coming up on Sept 27th.
- CCME's Wildfire Mitigation efforts
 - Awarded a \$300,000 grant for mitigation efforts.
- Review goals for department
 - See attached

Correspondence:

- None

Public Comment:

- Anna Sanders inquired about her formal complaint regarding Lindy Luksch.
 - Lindy stated that she would not be addressing the complaint.
- Dr. Walters expressed concerns regarding rumors being spread that he, his family or friends are responsible for the cease-and-desist order from the state.
 - Dr. Walter's stated the complaint did not come from myself, family or friends.
- Dr. Walters also asked if Chief was registered as a EMT in Colorado.
 - Chief is not but does still hold his Texas license which expires end of 2022.
- Dr Walters stated we need to combat the divided community.
- Dr. Walters asked Steve Witcher if anyone had expressed concerns about Chief not having Colorado specific license? Steve Witcher stated he had no questions brought to his attention.
- Dr. Walters inquired as to why Jay has not updated certifications to Colorado in a year and half?
 - Chief stated he intended to renew but hasn't had the time. Goal is to get it done.
- Tony Knoerzer wanted better clarification on why Chief received a cease-and-desist order.
 - Did Chief perform a procedure or tell someone he was an EMT?
 - Chief does not believe he acted in any way that would cause someone to contact the state.
 - Process is, if state receives complaints they send a cease-and-desist, then the accused speaks to the state and the case is reviewed.
 - We are a BLS only entity and in a crisis Chief said he will try to help his EMS personnel by running for supplies or equipment.
 - Chief stated there was an allowance during Covid to use out of state license's for Covid related activities.
- Question posed about the Fireworks.
 - Sheriff Mikesell is the Fire Marshall for Teller County and signed off on the fireworks.
 - We were not aware we needed a permit from CRC, we have spoken to the state and are aware of the requirement now for future events.
 - We will be sending people to a training for fireworks as well.

Meeting Adjourned at: 19:54

F.D. Goals/Priorities

2020 - Year 1	2021 - Year 2	2022 - Year 3
Recruitment (10-15 reliable responders on roster)	Recruitment (20-25 reliable responders on roster)	Recruitment (25-35 reliable responders on roster)
Ambulance back in service as a Rescue Unit	New Command Vehicle (C-31)	Add Drone Program - Acquire Infrared Drone system
Replace 1st Attack Engine	New Tender (2500-3000 gallons)	Replace Ambulance and Rescue 32
Replace Low Pressure SCBA's	SCBA Fill Station at Station 1	Acquire BLS Intercept License
Implement officer core - (3-6 positions)	Add 1 Full-Time Firefighter Position to staff	Build EMS roster to 10+ EMT's
Rebuild Department reputation/relationship with community.	Convert radio/comms to 800mhz	Add Training Chief Position
Host EMR and CPR class.	50% of department personnel FEMA ICS Certified	Add Chief Of Operations Position
Increase Fundraising Events (2-3 events for year)	Wildland Academy for personnel	Add another Full-Time Paid Fire position
Develop relationships with public figures (i.e. County Commissioners, OEM, Fire Chief's)	Host EMT course at Fire Station	Convert Admin Position to Full-Time.
Rebuild relationships with local media.	Increase Fundraising Events (3-4 events for year)	DOLA Grant Money for Station Expansion
Improve and Maintain Incident Response Records/Accountability.	Arrange Live Burn Training for firefighter.	EMS Grant Approval
EMS Grant Approval	Use Training Funds to send fire officers to Advanced Courses/Seminars	DOLA Grant Money for New Apparatus
Live Fire Training	Develop Guideline Manual	Update EMS Training Props/Equipment
New Fire Signs in District	Mill Levy Increase?	Replace Turn-Out Gear
Upgrade Atmosphere Detector Inventory	EMS Grant Approval	Qualify for AFG Grant
Water/Foam Issue Rectified	Bunker Extractor	E-Draulic Extrication Equipment

Legend:

Blue = Ongoing
Yellow = In Process

Red = Not Accomplished
Green = Accomplished