

The Rye Fire Protection District

**MINUTES OF THE RYE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF
DIRECTORS MEETING
Regular Meeting June 20, 2016**

Present Directors – Mr. John Schaiberger, Mr. Rich Simpson, Mr. Mike Davis, Mr. Wally Rice

Absent Directors – Mr. Garry Melchi

Others - Chief Steve Bennett, Captain Jim Beach

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Schaiberger, who chaired the meeting.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken and present members were introduced.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Schaiberger asked for any additions or changes to the meeting agenda. A discussion regarding Tabor Amendment information will be added to New Business.

Motion to approve Meeting Agenda for June 20, 2016 as posted with Tabor Amendment information being added to New Business.

Motion: Mr. Rice
Second: Mr. Davis

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Davis, Mr. Rice
Nay: None

Receive or Act on Board Correspondence

Chief Bennett discussed background information for a recent call on Highway 165 for a single vehicle motor vehicle accident. Due to the circumstances of the call, Chief Bennett closed Highway 165 for about 30 minutes for safety of the emergency responders, responding agencies, and others

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helping with the incident. At the time, no law enforcement was on-scene to complete this task. The correspondence came from an unknown individual who did not believe that the actions of closing the highway were warranted, caused delays for citizens driving on the highway, and questioned Rye Fire's training procedure's. The correspondence was not signed and the return address was Rye Station #2. The board agreed that Chief Bennett acted appropriately and if the party who has the concern will come forth, reasoning behind the closure will be discussed with the party.

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

None.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Schaiberger asked for approval of the minutes of May 16, 2016. Under Fire Chief's Report, last paragraph under Administration/Operations, "Be-Weekly" should be changed to "Bi-Weekly".

Motion to approval of the meeting minutes for May 16, 2016 with correction noted.

Motion: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Simpson

Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Davis, Mr. Rice
Nay: None

Treasurer's Report

Accounts Receivable. Interagency Collections were discussed and there will be some excess funds over incurred expenses that can be transferred to the general fund.

Accounts Payable. Mr. Schaiberger noted that if you annualize expenses, items are generally within limits.

Motion to approve Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable.

Motion: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Simpson

Further Discussion: None.

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Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Davis, Mr. Rice
Na: None

EMA Activity. Activity was reported running behind budget.

Fire Chief Report

Statistics. In the Month May 2016, Rye Fire responded to 94 calls for service of which 67 were EMS related and 27 were fire related. In comparison with previous year this is an increase of 19% from 2015 and an increase of 46% from the 5 year average of 64. It was a very busy month.

Administration/Operations. Colorado Safety Grant was awarded. This will be purchasing SCBA masks and packs with cylinders. The State of Colorado has the supplier and equipment ordered. Equipment is to be delivered in June.

Wildland Personal Protective Equipment was ordered and will be paid for with funds from FEMA.

An additional 5 SCBA Harnesses and cylinders will be ordered utilizing FEMA monies.

K12 extrication saw was purchased, with several multi-use blades. This was funded by BNSF Railroad.

Prevention. We continue to provide Mitigation assessments for various homeowners throughout the District.

Station Tours have been provided to the Public at both stations.

Attended various plays and award ceremonies at the school. Also had a booth set up at the High School in search for cadets for our program.

Rye Fire provides a delivery / pick up location for bountiful baskets to be delivered and prepared for the public to pick up. This is done on a Bi-Weekly basis.

Training. Training has been ongoing throughout the month. Fire training covered fire fighter safety, knots, ladders, hoisting and building construction. EMS training is ongoing with a new topic every 6 days providing continuing education for annual requirements.

Task List.

- Check on Propane. Check on Pre-Buy amount on propane. Several companies provided pricing. From indications from various firms, the best time to lock in pricing will be in a couple months.
- Tank at Hatchet. Chief Bennett noted that the large tank had a regular valve installed temporarily due to timing of the special valve. There is about 20,000 gallons of water in the tank. Due to the field being wet, pumping of water into the tank was from the road. When the field dries up, the tank will be topped off.
- Fire Hydrants. Colorado City will partner up with Rye Fire and test all hydrants in Colorado City.

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Old Business

Hatchet Ranch Updates

This was discussed in Chief's Report.

Interagency

No new update. There have been no fires in the area that have required resources.

New Business

Resolution 16-007 – Supplemental Budget and Appropriation

This resolution is to amend the 2015 Budget to reflect unallocated revenue and reflect incurred additional expenses for 2015 from Interagency activities.

Motion to adopt 16-007 Resolution for Supplemental Budget and Appropriation.

Motion: Mr. Davis
Second: Mr. Schaiberger

Further Discussion: None

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Davis, Mr. Rice
Nay: None

Tabor Discussions

Chief Bennett reviewed information from Legal Counsel regarding how to bridge the year end funding gap. More information will be required and will be discussed in future meetings.

Other Information

Mr. Schaiberger noted that at next month's meeting, election for the President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer for the Board will be held.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:43 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Rice
Second: Mr. Simpson

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Further Discussion: None.

Aye: Mr. Schaiberger, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Davis, Mr. Rice
Nay: None

Dated this 20th Day of June 2016.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Beach".

Submitted by Jim Beach, Captain