

CENTRAL ORCHARD MESA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board Meeting – January 10, 2019

PENSION BOARD MEETING:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Randy Patterson. In attendance were Ron Raschke, Randy Zellner, Tim Bevan, Dave Larsen and John Sigle. Murray Theissen was absent with an excused absence. A quorum was established. Others in attendance were Chief Dave Gitchell and Administrative Assistant Linda Weber.

Minutes of the December 2018 Board Meeting were read. **MOTION** by Tim Bevan and seconded by Dave Larsen to accept the December 2018 minutes as written. Minutes approved with corrections 6 to 0.

OLD PENSION BUSINESS:

None.

NEW PENSION BUSINESS:

Colorado State matching funds were received.

Being no other pension board business Randy Patterson closed the meeting at 7:03 PM.

FIRE BOARD MEETING:

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by President Randy Patterson with board members Ron Raschke, Randy Zellner, Tim Bevan, and Dave Larsen in attendance. A Quorum was established. Others present were Chief Dave Gitchell and Administrative Assistant Linda Weber.

Minutes for December 2018 were read. **MOTION** by Randy Patterson and seconded by Ron Raschke to accept the December 2018 minutes. Motion carried 5 to 0.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Linda Weber gave the treasurers report. The department received slightly more than was projected for the year 2018 thanks to Specific Ownership tax being more than estimated and the new Public Safety Tax. Transport revenue for the year came in at \$29,356.12, which includes a back log from previous years. The election cost \$14,638.71. Total Expenses for the year were \$85,013.27. The department has added \$20,434.85 to the District funds for the year.

Linda went over the income and expenses from December 7, 2018 to date.

MOTION by Tim Bevan and seconded by Ron Raschke to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried 5 + 0.

OLD BUSINESS:

ELECTION YEAR CYCLE – Ron Raschke asked if the new Odd-year election cycle has been determined. Linda Weber said last she heard the 2020 candidates would serve until 2021 but no final word has come from SDA (Special Districts Association).

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Zellner to approve Resolution 2019-001 to designate Central Orchard Mesa Fire Protection District, 3253 B ½ Road, as the board meeting place, at 7:00 PM the 1st Thursday of each month. Also, the 24 hour notice of meeting to be posted at the Fire Station, 3253 B ½ Road. Motion carried 5 + 0.

Ron Raschke reminded the board that the July meeting would be on the 4th. It was discussed and decided to move that meeting to July 11, 2019. Linda will remind the board at the June meeting.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS: Linda Weber asked each board member present if they had any personal financial (monetary or gift) gain in dealing with the fire department. All five members present acknowledged they did not have any conflicts.

MOTION by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Patterson to approve the filing for an Exemption from Audit for the year 2018. Motion carried 5 + 0.

CHIEF’S REPORT:

CALLS: Calls for December – 18 calls total. 13 medical with 9 transport. 1 for Lands End, 2 cancelled, 1 refusal and 1 gunshot which Clifton transported. Three false alarms, 2 smoke checks. 8 calls for the month of January so far.

State Chiefs: They are focusing on the problem with the Gallagher Amendment right now. They are hoping something good will happen this year. It affects all kinds of districts within the State.

County Chiefs: Still waiting to hear from FEMA on the AFG grant. AOP meeting in two weeks between the Sheriff’s Office and the fire departments.

Image Trend: Will probably put in for a Colorado State grant for help with funding the cost of two new computers for the patient care system. Also looking into switching our regular phone system here at the station to a Verizon Wireless program. This will enable the department to have a station phone, internet access and mobile internet access for our patient care system computers. We no longer have the ability to do patient care reports at the hospitals and need on-line access to complete our reports.

Building: The new building isn’t maintaining a high enough temperature to keep the water from freezing. The trucks no longer have water in them.

FPPA: Updating information on personnel as requested by FPPA in preparation for the actuarial processing.

Burn Permits: It's a new year so everyone will need to apply for a new burn permit.

Grants: We are working on some grant applications. Possibly new TIC's (thermal imaging cameras), gas monitors and tablets for patient care management.

We are to receive \$1818.00 from Excel Energy for use in purchasing wildland equipment. Looking at purchasing new hose.

Training: Training is going well. We have 10 active members, 3 probationary and one possible new person. We may lose one active person, that will be up to Murray Theissen.

LINDA WEBER:

DOLA has a grant program called "Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund Program". Mesa County is currently the largest impacted from the Energy operations. So, our county is high on the list for grant approvals.

The have a discretionary Grant for preliminary design and engineering. Kind of confused on the amount they will fund. It says up to \$25,000 with a total project limit of \$100,000. So that needs some clarification. This is the grant I'm interested in right now. It's a 50/50 match. I'm hoping to talk with MCFLMD on assisting with the match for this grant.

They also have a Tier One program funding at a 50/50 match up to \$200,000. Tier Two to 2,000,000 and Tier Three to 2,000,000 or more.

Linda wanted approval from the board to start exploring the funding availabilities to build a new fire station. She would elicit the help of Rick Weber for coordination of this project.

The board agreed with this approach and gave her permission to explore.

AJDOURMENT:

Randy Patterson adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.
Next meeting scheduled for February 7, 2019

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Weber: Administrative Assistant

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Attest: Ron Raschke, Secretary