

Los Pinos Fire Protection District Regular Board Meeting

May 10, 2021

Regular meeting called to order at 6:05p.m.

Roll Call: James Brown, Chelsea Hamilton, Preston Rea, Tom Arthur, Tony Harwig, Josh Lorenzen, Mark Williams, Scot Davis, Craig Fischer and Laura Rodriguez.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the April 12, 2021, board meeting, seconded and approved.

A motion was made to pay the bills, seconded and approved.

No public comment.

James Brown swore in appointed board member Tom Arthur.

Chief Harwig showed the Board the new command truck and exercise equipment.

On Thursday, Bud sent another email to the SUI tribal attorney and we have not heard back yet.

Loren Boebert visited our station on Saturday.

Brad was working on getting bids for Station 2 parking lot. He found a company and the bid came in around \$2,000. They will be filling all the cracks.

Deputy Chief Lorenzen

Live Fire training has been completed for all three shifts. We plan to do these two to three times a year. We do have some repairs that we need to make on the training tower as far as the paginate.

The town held their last vaccine clinic. Governor Polis in his weekly announcements mentioned the town of Ignacio efforts for the vaccine clinics and we were included.

We have one fulltime position open on the shifts. Jake Sells, who is a reserve, was offered the full-time position for our open spot. He will start on June 6th full-time.

Chief Davis

Have four interviews this week for possible candidates. Also, had an interview with Luke who lives close to our Station 3.

Our new volunteers will be doing 12-hour shifts. What we are working on is making sure we can get any volunteer in doing work on whatever level they want to do or whatever their skills are.

We have the EMR course which is our weeklong medic course to get volunteers into basic medical skills. Chief Lorenzen will be heading that up when we are ready.

Also, have a template for a 36-hour exterior firefighter. There is no state certification, this will be an inhouse certification which we will retool to fit our department.

The article has really helped and Shannon did a really good job.

The new website was reviewed with the Board.

Chiefs Report:

We are at 313 calls compared to 317 last year.

We had a 13-acre wildland fire on Sunday.

The P&L for April was reviewed. We have collected 37% of our income. We are good in shape.

We will be using a new software called Target Solutions which goes with our scheduling software Crew Sense. Target Solutions is a training platform, Check IT is an inventory program. These will track certifications, expiration dates and all the annual stuff we must track. Since we are part of the Special Districts, we are getting an 30% discount. We also be able to utilize trainings that have been uploaded by other departments.

The capital projects were reviewed.

A Pierce representative will be coming down next week with a truck for us to look at. The design committee will meet again. Hopefully, we will have a bid by the next board meeting.

Scot checked into radios for the volunteers and has two demos coming. They are Kenwood radios. The dual band is \$2,400 and the single band is \$1,450 which is half the cost of a Motorola. These are the radio's Fort Lewis Mesa Fire uses for their volunteers.

Today SEH was at Station 5 testing the soil. Also, had a meeting with Allison and Joel with JITA and should be getting his preliminary budget by the next board meeting.

At the La Plata County Fire Chiefs meeting had a fire meeting. A graph was shown and we are identical to the Missionary Ridge Fire in 2002.

The State Chiefs are closely monitoring legislation regarding the drug Ketamine which we disagree with it. We were carrying Ketamine but we have pulled it off our trucks. The Chiefs do not want legislation telling emergency services what drugs we can use. This should be done through the health department.

Chief and Laura are taking a FLSA class for four days.

We had the physicals this month. The company set up different stations throughout the station. It went well. We have not received results yet. They also did Upper Pine and Pagosa while they were here.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Minutes approved by _____, President.

James Brown

June 14, 2021, 2021 Regular board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Station#1, 275 Browning Avenue, Ignacio, CO