

# Los Pinos Fire Protection District Regular Board Meeting

## February 14, 2022

Regular Board meeting called to order at 6:04 p.m.

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

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the January 10, 2022, board meeting, seconded and approved.

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

No public comment.

A change was made to the agenda to add public concerns from Mark under New Business.

Chief Harwig received the offer back from Durango dispatch center. They went through everything and the start-up with them will cost \$15,000 for the hardware. The annual cost will be \$28,000. We do have \$40,000 in the budget for this. Also, if we want to pursue this, we will need to meet with Southern Ute dispatch center regarding this.

### **Station 5 Update**

The footers are in and the stem walls are framed for concrete. We moved the trucks back in the station today. Brad has been working with DFRA on the alarm and sprinkler systems. DFRA has been doing the inspections.

Chief Harwig wrote a letter and included our budget and sent it to Sunshine to get to Chairman Baker. Bud suggested asking for another meeting with tribal council. The Board agreed to request a meeting with tribal council.

The election is on May 3rd, and we have three running.

### **Fire Marshal Egger**

A change was made to the Jury Duty Leave Pay policy to reflect if an employee works on the day they have jury duty; they will get their regular pay instead of the up to \$50 which is the law.

A motion was made to approve the changes made to policy 1012.7 Jury Duty Leave Pay per Chief Egger's explanation, seconded and approved.

### **Chief Lorenzen**

We will be hearing from the Division of Fire Prevention and Control at the end of the month about the \$20,000 non-match grant which we are using for the physicals.

The state EMT systems grant for EMS equipment was sent a week ago and we will be hearing about that grant this summer.

We completed a reserve hiring process last Friday. We had 7 applicants that we put through the process. We will be making job offers for those positions by the end of this week.

**Chief Davis**

We are in the fourth week of Fire 1 and it is going well. We have seven going through that. The written test for HazMat is this Thursday.

We have applied for the Safer grant for \$160,000 for retention and recruitment.

**Fire Chiefs Report:**

We are at 92 calls.

The wildland crew also did their hiring process. They did make job offers to three applicants. All three accepted. Two of them are internal, one is a reserve and one is a volunteer.

A coal mine in Paonia, Colorado offered free foam that they wanted to get rid of. It usually costs around \$110 for a pail and we were able to get 150 pails. We just had to help pay for the shipping.

The Wildland academy will be at the Casino. There will also be other classes being held around the area. John Gilbert helps put this academy together.

We are going to purchase some refurbished Motorola radio's. We are going to order six and Digitcom will program them.

The P&L is at the point where we should be.

We did take Tender 82 out of service. We will ask Bud if we can offer it up locally to someone.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43.

Minutes approved by \_\_\_\_\_, President.

**James Brown**

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**Station#1, 275 Browning Avenue, Ignacio, CO**