

Los Pinos Fire Protection District Special Board Meeting

March 17, 2022

Special meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: James Brown, Chelsea Hamilton, Tom Arthur, Brad Egger, Tony Harwig, Josh Lorenzen, Preston Rea, Mark Williams and Laura Rodriguez. Misti Witt and John Gilbert attended on Zoom.

James Brown stated we do not normally have public comments at a special board meeting. If anyone would like to comment you can have a couple of minutes. If you have a comment please stand, state your name and address before you comment.

No public comment.

James gave a history of the service truck. In 2017 the Board at the time with the help of staff, a lot of research, consideration and investigation decided on this particular service truck and that it would be the best for this department for many years. At the time we were hoping it would be 30-to-40-year truck with the proper maintenance. Also, Troy Brady was hired just before we purchased the truck. The Board at the time decided it would be a take home truck due to all his tools being on the truck and that he would be on a 24-hour call for emergency response calls. We did not make a rash decision it was at least a four-month period from start to finish. I truly believe that the Board at the time made a proper decision for what was best for the department long term.

Chief Harwig stated since Monday's board meeting staff has been dealing with this. Chief Harwig met with Troy, Johnny, Tom, James and Jim Applegate who is a certified fire mechanic with Durango Fire Department. We put together all the numbers together and then we extrapolated those numbers into what it would cost us for the 5500 chassis. When we came up with those, he was quite enlightened with the cost effectiveness of the current apparatus. As far as longevity, per Jim Applegate the 5500's has a 15-year life span. So, looking at all these pieces and having meetings this week, we need this truck and it is the proper truck for this organization.

Each Board member spoke about their decision regarding the service truck.

It was a consensus of the Board to keep the service truck.

A motion was made to keep the service truck and look at a tender next season, seconded and approved.

Troy Brady mechanic for Los Pinos Fire thanked the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Minutes approved by _____, President.

James Brown

Next regular board meeting will be April 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

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