

Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District Regular Meeting  
Of the  
Board of Directors  
June 13, 2018 /7:00 PM Upper Poudre Canyon

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by president Brett Ridges at 7:02 pm.

Board Members: Board members: Bette Blinde, Paula Collins, Gene Mericle, Greg Danhoff and Brett Ridges were present. Additionally, Chief Hugh Collins and Battalion Chief Bob Stahl were present.

**Approvals:**

**Minutes:** Motion made by Gene *"to accept the May 9th regular meeting minutes as emailed."* Second by Greg. Motion passed 5-0.

**Treasurer's report:** Bette presented the current financials. Motion by Paula *"to approve the financial statement as of May 30th, 2018 as emailed and presented by Bette Blinde"*. Second by Bette. Motion passes 5-0.

**Old Business:**

**Grant applications:**

**VFA Grant:** Hugh reported that applications are open for this 50% matching grant for wildland gear only. A DJI Mavic Pro drone for spotting fires and smoke reports up high ridges was suggested after seeing one in action before the meeting.

**EI Pomar Grant & Boettcher Grant:** Bette reported no changes.

**DOLA Grant:** A CLPFEG financial statement was presented by Bette. As they have been paying the Station 4 upgrade expenses: lawyer's fees, engineering fees, architect fees etc., prior to receiving USDA monies and have reduced their funds, Bette made a motion *"to move \$50,000 to CLPFEG's account to match half of our match to the DOLA grant."* Second by Greg. Motion passed 5-0.

**Refinancing/USDA Loan/ Station 4 Upgrade-** Attorneys reviewed the Hugo Bank **construction loan agreement** and decided it was not a good deal for CLPFEG. USDA agreed, and will now fund the construction up front. Bette presented a **"loan comparison"** to show the board what the monthly payments would be for amounts borrowed. Bette also presented numbers for an August 1st **payoff** of our Wells Fargo Lease of \$804,959.95 for Stations 1 & 2. With America Bond credit and prepayment penalty the balance at closing would be around \$793,992.00. Bette made a motion, *"to pay down the Wells Fargo lease to \$700,000 in August."* Second by Gene. Motion passes 5-0. Hugh reported we have a **well permit** and the selected contractor will coordinate its drilling. He also reported that he has found someone to tear down the existing building.

**De-Gallagherization-:** Chief Collins gave an overview of the De-Gallagherization. Every two years the ratio of residential property to other properties is assessed and it effects our revenues. He will be meeting with the other mountain chiefs to discuss what can be done in the future.

**Easement Paperwork Signed and submitted to County:** Bette was asked by the engineers to increase the easement size for the new Station 4 parking, from 80'x30' to 110'x30'. New documents will be filed at the courthouse on Monday.

#### **New Business:**

**Mishawaka Fundraiser on June 10<sup>th</sup>:** Scot Krayenhagen will send us a check. Paula has sent a thank you to them for hosting the event.

**Improving records' security:** Discussion of how to improve records' security and where to store the boxes of old election records.

**Announcements:** August 25th is the date for the Swing Station Pig Roast.

#### **Reports:**

**Chief:** Chief Collins reported that there had been 10 **calls** in May, All in the Upper Canyon. Larimer County will probably enact **fire restrictions** June 20. Working on Station 4 plans with **bid openings** on June 16. Received **well permit**. He is attending a **mini academy** for structure fire. Performed **fire inspection** for Boy Scout Camp. Ordered and received new **EMT forms**. He is in the process of clearing out Station 4 and has found person to take down and remove **Station 4 building**. Dr. Janice Weixelman is working on a **Mountain Health System**. Chief will attend a meeting on July 16<sup>th</sup> about details. He will attend the **Chief's meeting** on Saturday.

**EMS:** No report from EMS Coordinator

**Station 1:** Kellie emailed: The pig roast is scheduled for August 25th at the Swing Station. She has contacted Campus Repair about replacing the alternator in Rescue 1 and will have that taken care of soon. Everything else is statis quo.

**Station 2:** The flag pole rope will get replaced next week. A gated Y-valve used at the lower canyon training is still missing. The rear running lights on 641 are working again. Bob commented the chipper needs to return to Station 2 for repairs and service.

**Station 3:** Brett reported that he and Greg weeded and checked on E631. CAFs unit working properly. The neighbor's wood pile is starting to encroach on the property.

**Station 4:** Chief commented that the current generator at Station 4 will not be big enough for the new building.

**Building Committee (Station2):** Greg reported that the committee has not met.

**CLPFEG:** Bette provided copies of their current financial report.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:58 Motion by Bette, second by Greg. Passes 5-0

**Next Meetings:** July 11, 2018 - Lower Canyon 7:00 pm, August 8, 2018- Upper Canyon 7:00pm