

CENTRAL ORCHARD MESA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board Meeting – May 2, 2019

**PENSION BOARD MEETING:**

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

Minutes of the April 2019 Board Meeting were read. **MOTION** by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Zellner to accept the April 2019 minutes as written. Minutes approved 7 to 0.

**OLD PENSION BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW PENSION BUSINESS:**

Linda Weber reported that \$30,867 has been paid to the pension fund for this year.

Being no other pension board business Randy Patterson closed the meeting at 7:01 PM.

**FIRE BOARD MEETING:**

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by board 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, Murray Theissen and Administrative Assistant Linda Weber.

Minutes for April 2019 were read. **MOTION** by Randy Zellner and seconded by Tim Bevan to accept the April 2019 minutes. Motion carried 5 to 0.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

Linda Weber gave the treasurers report. She is trying to close out the Wells Fargo account and has decided to move money by check from the Wells Fargo account into the Vectra Savings account.

Linda Weber reported that the Certificate of Deposit rates discussed at the last board meeting were no longer available. The new offer is a 6 month CD at 2.15%. **MOTION** by Randy Zellner and seconded by Tim Bevan to put \$200,000.00 in the 6 month CD account. Motion carried 5 + 0.

Linda Weber discussed the current income and expenses since the last meeting. **MOTION** by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Zellner to accept the treasurers report.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Chief Gitchell reported that the new ambulance has been titled, plates received, insured and all equipment moved to the ambulance. Unfortunately a driver mishap occurred while backing into the stall. The driver door, front fender, back bumper, along with some equipment and building damage occurred before the vehicle could be placed in service. The vehicle and related items have been turned into the insurance company and are being repaired or replaced. The vehicle will be back in service as soon as repairs can be completed.

Dave Larsen wanted the volunteer to know, from the board, that we are glad he is OK and to know that everything can be fixed.

Ute Water Bill – Tim Bevan has not had time to investigate this anomaly and will try again this next month.

Grand Valley Power Bill – This bill is still high and not much has changed within the station to cause such an increase. Tim Bevan believes his neighbor can help shed some light on this problem and will check with him this next month.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **CHIEF'S REPORT:**

**Personnel:** Murray Theissen reported no new recruits. One volunteer was moving but now he is back. One member on leave of absence. We have 9 regular and 5 probationary members. Lots of classes, 2 in FF1 doing hazmat. Could use some more volunteers.

**Calls:** 16 calls for April (22 in March), 70 calls total at the end of April. That makes a 45% increase from last year. We have had 4 structure fires so far this year, one was a dryer in the house, one pellet stove which was exhausted underneath the porch. Two actual structure fires. 12 medical with 11 transports – 4 by COM and 7 by Clifton, 6 ALS and one DOA.

One illegal burn, 1 alarm, gas line cut by a farmer and his plow after the meter, very shallow.

The call volume is off the chart and wearing on the volunteers.

**State Chiefs:** No new news.

**Mesa County Chiefs:** Cancelled meeting.

**Grants:** EMS Grant-second round of telephone conference is next week.

VFA grant the rules changed, which weren't posted in the application and we did not qualify, you must have reported NFIRS for the three previous years. They have different judging criteria going on now. Kimberly Boland is our DOLA rep and she didn't report the data for Mesa County.

FF&S Grant was successful and the SCBA Cylinders have been ordered.

AFG – no news.

**Workshop:** The Ireland-Stapleton workshop is May 3<sup>rd</sup> and Linda and the Chief will be attending.

**Burn Season:** Burn season continues through the end of the month.

**Public Comment:** None

**AJDOURMENT:**

Randy Patterson adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.  
Next meeting scheduled for June 6, 2019

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Weber: Administrative Assistant

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Attest: Ron Raschke, Secretary