CENTRAL ORCHARD MESA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board Meeting - July 7, 2021

FIRE BOARD MEETING:

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Randy Patterson with board members John Sigle, and Tim Bevan in attendance. Darrell Charlesworth and Randy Zellner were absent with an excused absence. A quorum was established. Other's present were Chief Shawn Cox and Administrative Assistant Linda Weber. Members of the public Stacy Cox and Chuck Nelson were also in attendance.

Minutes of the June 2021meeting was read. **MOTION** by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Patterson to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Linda Weber gave the treasurers report. Linda reported \$1720.00 to date donated to the department on behalf of Jim Rooks. It was discussed to purchase a piece of equipment and dedicate it to Jim Rooks. After some discussion it was decided to dedicate a new defibrillator to the memory of Jim Rooks. **MOTION** by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Patterson to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Randy Patterson thanked the members of the department for the Fourth of July public BBQ. Looked like it was a good turnout. Chief Cox said there were over 100 people in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: MOTION by Tim Bevan and seconded by John Sigle to go into Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e) to receive advice of legal counsel and to discuss matters subject to negotiation related to the proposed formation of a fire authority with Lands End Fire Protection District.

Meeting paused at 7:11 PM Meeting resumed at 7:24 PM

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Ambulance 51 died while on a call and had to be towed. Towed to Lands End Fire Station and Jarrett Nelson is going to work on it. Possibly a fuel pump/issue problem.

Attended the Jim Rooks funeral with a piece of apparatus.

16 Calls for the last month. Of the transports, we transported them all and had any ALS needed use our ambulance.

Grants: Awarded the VFA wildland fire grant for \$14,954.44. Our responsibility for payment is \$4,477.22.

Also were awarded the EMS Grant for a defibrillator and power load cot for \$72,019.03. Our responsibility for payment is \$36,009.52.

Auto Aid Agreement with Lands End Fire Protection District is up and running. Going well.

Signed up to work on LDT's (long distance transports). It pays from \$695 - \$955.00 a load plus \$19.00 a loaded mile. This can be an additional source of income for the department.

Chuck Nelson asked how you are deciding who goes on the call. Chief is thinking he will put the order out on "group meet" and be a first come first serve from anyone on both departments. Chief will be trying to use A51 as it is great for highway use. Chuck also asked if we needed to ask permission from Lands End to use their ambulance.

Pay for the driver and EMT needs to be decided along with reimbursing Lands End if their equipment is being used. Chief Cox will work on a proposal before the next meeting.

Authority: Mesa County GIS is working on a map showing the location of calls for both districts for the last three years. The map will show all calls and another map showing "cluster" areas for placement of a potential new fire station once the Authority is formed.

LINDA WEBER

Stated that she wanted the board needed to know how much work Chief Cox is putting in working on changes in the department and working on the new Authority. She is very happy he is on board.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chuck Nelson wanted to say thank you for working with Lands End Fire and that everybody at Lands End Fire is on board with the new Authority. The timing is right for this opportunity there are some really good people on board. Also, the sooner the better.

The Board agreed with Chuck Nelson and said they too feel appreciative of Lands End Fire and all they have done for Central Orchard Mesa.

AJDOURMENT:

Randy Patterson adjourned the meeting at 7:51 PM. Next meeting scheduled for August 4, 2021

Respectfully submitted, Linda Weber: Administrative Assistant

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