



Teton County Fire Protection District

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Board of Fire Commissioners

Scott Golden, District 1
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Kent Wagener, District 3
Monica Hoth, Secretary/Clerk

Monday September 11, 2017

Attendance District Commissioners: Jason Letham, Scott Golden
Interim Commissioners:
District Legal Counsel: Bart Birch
District Public Relations: Mitchell
Fire Chief: Campbell
Division Chief-Prevention: Giles
Division Chief-EMS:
Division Chief-Training: Wisby
Shift Captains:
Driver/Operators:
Firefighters:
Board Secretary: Hoth
Local 4667: N. Brown and R. Parkinson
Public:

Welcome @ 1548 hours

Commissioner Letham welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes:

Commissioner Letham asked if anyone had question or comments on the prepared minutes from the **August 14th, 2017** meeting. No questions were asked.

Commissioner Letham made a motion to approve the August 14th, 2017 minutes as presented. Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor, both replied "aye" and minutes for the August 14th, 2017 meeting were approved as presented.

Claims:

Commissioner Letham asked for any questions or comments on the claims presented for the period **August 11 through September 8th, 2017**. No questions or comments were raised.

Commissioner Golden made a motion to approve the claims as presented.

Commissioner Letham seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. Both replied "aye", and the claims were approved as presented.

Budget Statement:

Commissioner Letham asked for any comments or questions on the August Budget Statement presented. Commissioners briefly discussed a few of the items in the budget statement, and planned to adjust some of the items in the upcoming fiscal year budget. No other questions or comments were made.

Commissioner Letham made a motion to approve the August Budget Statement as presented.

Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. Both replied “aye”, and the Budget Statement was approved as presented.

Post Eclipse Report:

Chief Campbell reported to Fire Commissioners that there was a decrease in call volume over the week of Eclipse. As the staffing levels were rolled out for each day, he explained that on most days staffing was retracted when call volume was found to be low. He attributed in part, the call volume being low, to the fact that so many were well prepared in such advance. All in all, he was pleased with the performance of staff and community, as well as with the many visitors we did get. Discussion continued on how other counties fared and how it went in other agencies.

Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) Renewal:

Representatives of the Local 4667, Nate Brown and Rebecca Parkinson, presented Commissioners with a clean version of the CBA showing edits made through the negotiation process to date. Articles up for remaining consideration still:

Article 11 – Personnel Reduction - no conclusion, will carry over to next meeting.

Article 14 – Minimum Safe Staffing – concluded

Article 16 – Leave – concluded

Article 16, section for wages – BC wages were finalized – concluded

Article 30 – Working out of Class – no conclusion, will carry over to next meeting.

Article 23 – Work schedules – Light duty work schedule - concluded

Article 23 – Work schedules – Wildland Assignment – no conclusion, will carry over to next meeting.

Article 31 – Safety and Welfare program – no conclusion, will carry over to next meeting.

It was discussed to have the next meeting on Monday the 18th, when Commissioner Wagener would be back. It is the intent to finalize these remaining items at that meeting.

Discussion on Fleet Vehicles:

Chief Campbell asked Jon Wisby, as the incoming Logistics BC, to update Commissioners on the Fleet status. Chief Wisby started with ARFF 2, which is currently still being worked on to get up to service ready condition. All the plumbing is fixed, now waiting on turret parts. It may be getting close to finished, no figures on final cost yet. It is hopeful that letting the

mechanic work at his own pace will save money on the work being done. Wisby then told Commissioners that Heavy 3 is at Boise Mobile for the upgrade to the pump. Chiefs Wisby and Campbell are currently planning to drive it home when they return from a teaching weekend around October 1st or 2nd. The pump that was ordered by the manufacturer, turned out to be too big and they had to adjust the placement of the pump to accommodate the size. They worked through that and Heavy 3 should be ready in time to still pick up on schedule. The update on the ambulance fleet was that the 09 Ambulance had to have an air bag issue fixed. The 92 Ambulance needed a radiator check for overheating and has transmission issues they are working through. Then finally, the 99 Ambulance has transmission issues and it will need to be replaced. Chief Wisby is confident these issues will be worked out in time, but this part of the fleet will need some attention that as of now they are working on.

Chief's Report:

Operations

Chief Campbell updated Commissioners on the outcome of the BC promotions and station assignment changes coming October 3rd. He also spoke about the grants that are upcoming with the Department of Lands and Forest Service. Those grants are turning out to be much bigger projects than what was originally understood. He expressed a positive outlook to the work that these grants can accomplish and will continue to update as the information and details become clear.

He then gave an update on the refund from Phillips Healthcare for the funds used to purchase a heart monitor that was never received. The refund check was mailed to the wrong address and is being rewritten to be mailed correctly on another attempt. We will hold off having Bart intervene, until we see if it works out this time.

Prevention – Div. Chief Giles

Chief Giles spoke about the meeting with the City of Driggs and how they are working to streamline more of the process through that office to improve service for everyone. He also talked about a couple additional grant opportunities upcoming. One that could provide assistance in swift water rescue work. More commercial permits coming in as well.

Training – Div. Chief Wisby

Chief Wisby reported to Commissioners that training is quiet while transition to the BC model is happening. He is working to get the BC of Training, Kevin Bollar up to speed.

Monica Hoth – Clerk

Monica updated Commissioners on the schedule of upcoming work with Becky Mitchell. She and Monica are working to get the ad placed letting the community know we have the new ambulance. This should be in the TVN in the coming weeks. We will also be adding “Ambulance Standby Service” to the website, and getting a PSA in the TVN sometime in

October. After that, we will work on communicating information about the upcoming fuels reductions work getting done with the grants Chief Campbell reported on. Monica also informed the Commissioners that there is a challenger to the District 2 (Driggs County Central) Fire Commissioner seat for the November 7th election. On the ballot so far, will be Jason Letham (current Fire Commissioner) and Aaron Danz. As of yet, there has been no one entered as a write-in. They have until September 23rd to enter as a write in candidate or for either current candidate to rescind the candidacy and decide not to run.

Recess

Adjourn

Commissioner Golden made a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Letham seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied “aye”, and the Board of Fire Commissioners adjourned at 1731 hours.

