

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

KREMMLING FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Board Members Present: Don Eggers, Alan Hassler, Sharon Cesar, Jim White, and Jim Carland

Board Members Absent:

Others Present: Fire Chief Tony Tucker, and Asst. Chief Brady Mathis and Admin Tawnya Bailey

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by President Don Eggers

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the August 8, 2024 Regular Board Meeting were presented.

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 8, 2024, WAS MADE BY CARLAND. SECONDED BY CESAR. MOTION CARRIED. JIM WHITE ABSTAINED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was presented. The monthly bills were presented.

A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT DATED THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,234.50 WAS MADE BY WHITE. SECONDED BY CARLAND. MOTION CARRIED.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Runs year to date: 86 Runs this month: 11

Administration:

- Working on getting more commitment from the volunteers. Tuesday OPS meeting 3 paid staff talked to the volunteers. Will address more under District Coverage.
- Budget 2025 has begun - have some numbers plugged in. Tawnya working on updated costs for payroll items and other numbers. There will be another meeting that will include Sharon on Monday or Tuesday.
- We have 90% or better of ending year actual amounts filled in on the 2025 budget.
- Needing some utility updates - dispatch fees have increased and we've already entered those numbers.
- VFIS Insurance application is due soon. Need to look at doing some updates and would like Alan's input if we can get together sometime next week. We need to address the agreed values on the rigs.

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Operations:

- Will have repairs made this month on a damaged spreader. The tool was damaged in training.
- Will be starting annual hydrant flows this month, waiting for schools to stop watering. That should be this month. We will have 3 sessions to complete the work.

Old Business:

- No updates on any annexations for the town.
- Still no word on ISO evaluation.
- Brady did an evaluation with Aron last week. Open house 70 people attended but no applications. Two applications were picked up and one has been returned in person. He is proposing a badge program for 2025.

New Business:

- Grand County is in Stage 1 fire restrictions
- Staff wants to move forward on the overhead doors this year - have bid prices on four different door packages. If we wait the price will increase most surely - have funds in reserve - need to do a budget resolution anyway for 2024
- Audit costs -
 - Grand Fire spent \$8500.00 Fiscal Focus Partners
 - EG spent \$9535.00 with McMahan - they budgeted \$10200.00 for this year due to expected 7.5% increase from last year (per the Auditor)
 - Fiscal Focus will be getting back to us next week to see if they will be able to take us on.
 - There is one other company who will review if they will take us on
 - Eggers suggested that we also ask McMahan
- Overhead doors
 - We have 4 proposals all inclusive
 - The staff recommends these two:
 - Full view with TS200 \$102,915.00 R17
 - Port Windows with TS200 \$91,705.00 R17
 - We are losing a lot of heat loss in the doors we currently have.
 - This company is putting in East Grand Fire's overhead doors in their new station
 - Eggers suggested that we use the backfill money that was a surplus towards the doors.
 - We do need a bond for work over \$50,000

A MOTION TO CONTRACT WITH DH PACE TO FINISH AND INSTALL 9 WAYNE-DALTON TS200 SECTIONAL DOORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$91,705.00 PLUS THE COST OF ANY BONDS THAT MAY BE NECESSARY WAS MADE BY WHITE. SECONDED BY HASSLER. MOTION CARRIED.

End of Report

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Close of regular board meeting at 1842 hours for Pension Board Meeting

Reopen regular board meeting at 1902

2024 FPPA PENSION CONTRIBUTION

A MOTION TO PAY 2024 FPPA PENSION CONTRIBUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$70,556 AND ALSO PAY THE PLAN ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES OF \$1200.00 FOR A TOTAL OF \$71,756.00 WAS MADE BY HASSLER. SECONDED BY CARLAND. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION TO SUBMIT THE APPLICATION FOR 2024 STATE MATCHING FUNDS OF \$11,250 WAS MADE BY CESAR SECONDED BY WHITE MOTION CARRIED.

WORK SESSION REVIEW

- A resolution will be presented at the next board meeting to accept the Board By Laws.

DISCUSS HB24B-1001

- Discussion was that it is still too early to have a full understanding of what the changes will be.
- We will continue to keep monitoring the bill throughout the budget process

DISTRICT COVERAGE

- Paid staff presented a plan to membership that shift work is required from Saturday at 7am to midnight on Sunday.
 - It will be 3 shifts of 3. There will be 2 qualified drivers to each shift and each shift includes an out of town volunteer. The out of town volunteer will take 417 home to expedite the response.
 - Each volunteer received a DTR radio.
 - They don't have to spend the night here but they are expected to show up.
 - The volunteers are able to communicate with IAR and there are calendars that help them to schedule.
- Eggers asked if adding a fourth paid person would help with scheduling?
- Carland said that the volunteers feel like they will show up when they can.
- It was asked if the pay per call was an incentive to show up more. It was the consensus that the volunteers are here because they want to be, not for the money.
- We want to focus on retention.
- Carland suggested an incentive program to bring in a qualified volunteer candidate
 - A guy that can go on a call is priceless. A suggestion of \$1500.00 was given paying in increments as the recruit achieves levels.
- Carland suggested a booth at the fair for recruitment.

OLD BUSINESS

- It was learned that the cell phone outage experienced yesterday did not impact dispatches radio communications.

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NEW BUSINESS

- Sharon and Tawnya will set a date to meet on the 16th or 17th with Tucker and Mathis to discuss the budget.
 - We are presently going through increases and estimates.
 - After the meeting on 16th or 17th we will email the budget out to the board.
- When do we do this year's amended budget? The amended budget needs a public hearing. If we combine them, we would only need one public notice.
- Agendas will go to Eggers for approval prior to meetings.
- VFIS was discussed and Tucker, Mathis, and Hassler will meet to address that.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon K Cesar, Secretary

SKC:tmb