

Grand Junction Rural Fire Protection District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
June 4, 2002 17:30
2512 Oleaster Court, Grand Junction, Colorado

Board members present: Tery Dixon (TD), Steve Gsell (SG) Steve Ward (SW)

Board members absent: Chris Hollandsworth (CH)(Excused)

Others present: Chief Rick Beaty (CB), Secretary Rob Dixon (RD)

1. Meeting called to order at 17:54 by SW.

2. Oath of Office.

An oath of faithful performance was administered by SW to TD as required.

3. April 9, 2002 board meeting minutes.

After review and discussion of the April 9, 2002 meeting minutes, a motion was made by TD to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by SG, approved unanimously.

4. Financial report.

RD presented the current financial report including current balance sheet and expenses. A motion was made by TD to accept the report as presented, seconded by SG, approved unanimously.

CB presented the updated 2002 contract worksheet and adjusted contract amount to the Board. The adjusted contract amount due is \$570,987.00

5. Fire Code.

Due to changes required by a conflict with the Mesa County building code, a revised version of the Fire Code was reviewed.

After review and discussion of the amended version of the 2000 Edition of the International Fire Code, a resolution was made by SW adopting the code, as amended, seconded by TD, approved unanimously.

6. Lands End Fire Protection District.

CB advised that he had met with Brian Chervany of the Lands End FPD regarding an automatic aid agreement for the Whitewater area. CB will be looking at the current

agreement with Lower Valley FPD to serve as a model for a Lands End, GJRFPD agreement. CB will work closely with Lands End to assure that their standards and training levels are high so that our constituents receive the highest level of service. CB will report back to the board on progress.

The Board will keep a close watch on the progress of Lands End due to a possible transfer of service in the Whitewater area to Lands End.

7. City-County-District meeting.

The last meeting was held on May 30 with CH, SG and attorney Bob Cole in attendance. Discussion was made regarding an 1159 district in the Redlands for the purpose of building a public safety station, what progress is being made and what needs to be done.

The Board agreed that there remain many issues that need to be resolved including the need to have meetings with residents to explain the issues. The Board feels the citizens will need to understand how they might benefit. In addition the District will need to answer many questions regarding its future.

The City and/or County wish to take an 1159 district overlay to a vote in November 2002.

CB reported that the area currently in the District to be moved to an 1159 has an assessed value of 57 million dollars with revenues of approximately 433,000 dollars.

The next meeting will be held on June 24, 2002 at 20:00 at Two Rivers Convention Center.

8. Burn violations.

CB reported that progress is being made with the District Attorney's office regarding penalties for illegal burning. The DA has indicated they will pursue certain cases of illegal burns. The Board agreed that more work needs to be done in this area.

CB reported that we may be able to work out an agreement with the City to run the citations through the municipal court for consistency and to decrease the workload of the County Courts.

9. Treasurer's fee project report.

RD reported that he and TA will be calling those districts that did not respond to the survey.

10. Other Business.

A. Open Director position.

TA indicated that she would like for RD to fill the open Board position as the opening could create problems with tie votes, etc. The Board and RD discussed the opening and RD agreed to fill the position.

After review and discussion, TD made a motion to appoint RD to the open Board position, seconded by SG, approved unanimously.

An oath of faithful performance was administered by SW to RD as required.

RD will serve in the open position for the remainder of the term until May 2006.

B. Fireworks.

CB reported that the Governor elected not to ban fireworks in the State. CB is very concerned about the dry conditions and will be considering some kind of ban in the City and/or District in the next several weeks.

11. Adjournment.

At 19:54, motion was made by SW to adjourn the meeting, seconded by TD, unanimously approved.

Minutes submitted by Rob Dixon