

INDIAN HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 24, 2023

The Minutes are intended to reflect the discussions that occurred and decisions that were made by the members; they are not intended to be a transcription of the meeting.

ATTENDEES:

Fire Protection District Board Members: Scott Kellar– President, Chris Vigil - Secretary, Marc Rosenberg– Treasurer, Scott Ryplewski (*excused absence*), Kelley Lehman

Fire Department Members:

Non-Members: Anita Fritz – District Accountant, Angel Dee Manning– Recording Secretary

Other Attendees: None

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 19:12

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Kellar at 19:12 hours.

INTRODUCTIONS:

President Kellar welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

President Kellar called for any additions or suggested changes to the agenda and there were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Treasurer Marc Rosenberg made a *motion* to waive the reading of the December 2023 Meeting Minutes, which was seconded Director Kelley Lehman and passed unanimously. Director Rosenberg made a *motion* to accept the December 2023 Minutes. Director Lehman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Director Rosenberg made a *motion* to waive the reading of the January 4, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes, which was seconded Director Lehman and passed unanimously. Director Rosenberg made a *motion* to accept the January 4, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes. Director Lehman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Monthly Financial Reports

Treasurer Rosenberg reviewed the financial report with the board. After reviewing, Director Rosenberg made a *motion* to approve checks #14789-14807 and #14809-14812, automated

payments, credit card expenses, and bank fees. Director Chris Vigil seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT/OFFICERS' REPORTS:

District Updates – Fire Marshal

Fire Marshal report not provided for review.

Chief's Report

Chief — Mark Forgy

Chief Mark Forgy stated we had a slight uptick in call numbers in 2023. 2020-2022 we averaged 171 calls a year, but in 2023 we saw an increase of about 8% to 185 calls for service. He said we've also been trending upward with responders per call over the last few years, with an average of 4.35 in 2019 and in 2023 we averaged 6.57 responders per call. Chief Forgy mentioned that we started 2023 with 16 volunteers on the roster and with five new rookies and Scott Case returning, we closed out the year with 22 volunteers. Out of 79 transports in 2023, we were able to provide a Paramedic level of care on 77 of those transports.

Chief Forgy then reported on updates from the Mountain Chief's meeting: Jeffcom is (finally) at full staffing, possibly for the first time since inception. Jeffcom is taking over dispatch for Clear Creek County and will likely acquire their four experienced dispatchers in the move. Jeffcom will be moving to their new facility in Golden in Q4, 2024. The Adams-Jeffco hazmat authority will be moving toward dissolving in Q4 2024 but will be providing services up until that time. Equipment will be inventoried and assessed between now and that time as Jeffco forms its own independent team, likely heavily dependent on West Metro Fire. The county has a new Emergency Manager and a new Fire Management Officer, and their Incident Management Team is up to three ICT-3 level incident commanders. The new Sheriff seems to be making some positive changes over there. The county is still evaluating the new International Building Code. The pressure is still on from the Chiefs and Fire Marshals to fully adopt the International WUI code.

Chief Forgy notified the board that Utility 351 and Medic 386 are in the shop this week getting hail repair from last summer but should only be out of service a couple days each. He then reported that Evergreen, Genesee, Foothills and Indian Hills are all moving forward with the FireAside software for wildfire home assessments.

10 December calls: 1-Gas leak, 4-MVAs, 4-Medicals, 1-Outside fire

5 January calls: 2-MVAs, 2-Cancelled Enroute, 1-Outside fire

Officers' Reports

Assistant Chief — Marc Rosenberg

Nothing to report.

Fire Captain — Mike Fassula

Not present.

EMS Captain — Pat Sears

Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

2024 Board Meeting Schedule

The board reviewed the draft 2024 board meeting schedule. Director Rosenberg made the *motion* to approve the presented board meeting schedule and meeting place for 2024. Director Lehman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Pressure Loss Discussion

The board discussed the concerns of water pressure loss in the district and lack of communication between the water district and fire district which resulted in review of the Indian Hills Water District and Indian Hills Fire Protection District IGA.

Leave of Absence

Draft still under review.

ADJOURNED: 20:38

Director Rosenberg made the *motion* to adjourn the January 2024 IHFPD Board Meeting and Director Lehman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, and the board meeting adjourned at 20:38.

President:

Secretary:

MOTIONS MADE AND PASSED:

- To waive the reading of the December 2023 Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Kelley Lehman; unanimous.
- To approve the December 2023 Minutes. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Kelley Lehman; unanimous.
- To waive the reading of the January 2024 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Kelley Lehman; unanimous.
- To approve the January 2024 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Kelley Lehman; unanimous.
- To approve financials. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Chris Vigil; unanimous.
- To approve 2024 board meeting schedule and meeting place; Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Kelley Lehman; unanimous.
- To adjourn the January 2024 Meeting. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Keley Lehman; unanimous.