



SOUTHERN PARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
Board of Directors' Meeting
2015 July 09 @ 7:00 pm

1) Introduction of Visitors

Karen Frerichs
Tom Riebe – CMHA
John Scott

Carol Springarn
Stu Springarn
Dave Tilton

Grant Waldref - CMHA

2) Attendees:

Board members present:

Ken Thomas - Chair
Flip Boettcher
Mike Parrish
Sandy Rucker – Treasurer
Steve Wilson
(Mike Brandt - Secretary to the Board)

Department members present

Chief Aaron Mandel
Dale Cox
Scott Elmore
Eugene Farmer

3) Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 07:00 PM by Board Chair Ken Thomas.

4) Approval of Agenda:

Mr. Thomas moved to approve the agenda second by M. Boettcher; motion carried.

5) Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the 2014.06.04 meeting by Ms. Rucker, second by Mr. Thomas; motion carried.

6) Director, Chief, and Committee Reports

a. Treasurer's Report

The complete Treasurer's report is available at www.guffeyfire.net

No extraordinary items to report this month.

Prior to this meeting the following bills were polled and accepted by the Board.

Round Tree Medical: \$2,246.26 for supplies for the new ambulance.
Park County Road and Bridge fuel bill: \$555.74
AirGas: \$570.47 for supplies for the new ambulance.

At this meeting Ms. Rucker moved to approve the following bills, second by Mr. Wilson, motion carried:

VFIS: \$11,046.00 for liability insurance
VFIS: \$553.00 to add the new ambulance to the policy
VFIS: \$4,498.00 for Accident and Disability Insurance.

Communication Solutions: \$532.50 for radios in the new ambulance.

The Application for Exemption from Audit was accepted.

b. Regulatory Matters

In August the Chief, Treasurer and Board Chair are to start the budget review for 2016. The Proposed Budget shall be presented at the October Board meeting.

c. Chief's Report

Incident responses

	Month	Year to Date
Traffic Accidents	3	15
Medical	4	18
Wild Fires	2	3
Smoke Reports	0	3
Structure Fire	0	0
Other	0	5
Total Calls	9	44

Summary

1. Medical radios – reprogrammed but need State to open PEPPERCORN
2. New EMT – Lynne Lopez. One of the Board members from 4-Mile discussed the possibility to dispose of some of their EMS assets. Chief Mandel would like to pursue a mutual aid agreement with Cripple Creek if they are interested. With additional EMTs in the department we may have the ability to join such an operation.
3. Eugene Farmer is now a State and Nationally Registered EMT-B.
4. S-130/190, S-134 classes went well, and we have 4 new red-carded members
5. Dave Tilton retired. Chief Mandel is acting as Chief Engineer for now.
6. All 3 ambulances passed inspection - waiting on County approval.
7. Command 9 needs repeated repairs and it has 205,000 miles on the clock. Need to establish a plan for its replacement? It goes out on nearly every call and the day-to-day use is taking a toll. Might see if we can sell it while it is running and 2 of the brush trucks. Removing a tank from one brush truck and placing that in a new truck would give a more capable response vehicle. A one-ton truck would be best but a ¾ ton truck would work and could move 250 gallons of water. Chief Mandel will complete the proposal.
8. Radios need replacing. The 7 to 8 radios can no longer be reprogrammed as the computer/software is no longer readily available. The handhelds have been reprogrammed and are usable for the department. Might use radio funds to replace radios instead of funding the repeater site. Site could be re-budgeted for next year and the Don Felton fund will remain intact for this project. There is \$3,000 in the radio fund aside from the Felton fund.

Chief Mandel will obtain quotes for radios and equipment. \$100 per unit is needed to upgrade handheld radio batteries and chargers. All members except 2 have a radio; each of those members with a radio is active and respond to calls.

Ms. Rucker noted that the vehicle fuel expenditure has been less than forecast so there is approximately \$3,000 excess that might be reassigned. Budgeting is ~\$1,000/month and the monies might be reassigned if fuel costs remain low.

9. ES Council approved purchase of a top of the line diesel powered chipper and Platte Canyon is in the process of purchasing one. We will be able to use it by appointment probably for a month at a time.

d. Auxiliary Report

Auxiliary provided lunch for the Campbell fire and the S-130/190, S-134 training sessions.

Meeting held on June 26 – new VP is Steve Taylor, Treasurer is Mike Brandt.

The garage sale on July 4-5 was successful. Left over material was donated to a charity in Canon City.

A fundraiser proposal for an archery or skeet shoot was OK'd by the insurance rep and there is an appropriate area by Station 3. This might turn into an annual event if well received. Mr. Tilton will review and make a proposal at the next meeting.

7) Old Business

- a. Cover Mountain water sources: The Department would like to have permission to mitigate along Taylor Road. The Cover Mountain board would like to move forward with annual contracts and a very simple, auto-renewal lease but with the right to sell. Discussions with Mr. Wissel determined that if a governmental agency is leasing the property it comes off the tax rolls. The Cover Mountain board expenditures are dedicated to road renovation this year. If a secondary liability policy is needed there is no cost saving to the Cover Mountain board. Alternates might be to donate it to adjacent landowners or go to the County and determine if it can be designated as Green Space. There is no desire on the part of the Cover Mountain board to use it as a burn or slash area.

The District insurance will cover the liability for the area. If there is a claim and the property is returned to the Cover Mountain board for use and would then stop from increasing the insurance costs. The Cover Mountain board may determine that the best course of action is to sell the lots.

Mr. Waldref will get a list of the items needed in the lease to Mr. Thomas.

- b. Ambulance update: The ambulance is in service and the needed equipment was added to pass the inspection. Both Eugene and Scott were instrumental in getting the job done. The window seals still need to be replaced and the cost will be \$150.00 when it is next in Canon City and the unit is available. The ambulance seller supplied warranty-free parts.
- c. Insurance update: the bill was approved and released.

8) New Business

- a. Subdivision annual meetings: The Cover Mountain Homeowners Association meeting will be August 1st and they'd welcome the department's participation or presentation. Pike Trails is August 22nd. Aspen Point Ranch is July 19th at 11:00. Mr. Wilson will get information from Saddle Mountain and Saddle Mountain Heights. Old Kathleen is also coming up in August. Witcher Mountain meeting is at 4-Mile.
- b. Guffey Community Event coverage: events require a review and permission process which includes the emergency equipment/personnel. State rates are \$50.00/hour plus a flat rate of \$480.00/day. EMT Basic is billed at \$23.86/hr. In the past Chief Mandel billed actual cost - for an ambulance and personnel he has billed \$100/day for an ambulance and personnel. This required a crew/ambulance at the event as well as back up personnel to cover the rest of the district. Traffic control was also part of the permit.

For next year the Guffey Community Event people should plan a sit down pre-permit application meeting with the Department. As the event needs a permit and plan there must be discussion and review. Mr. Parrish will take part in the planning for the department and also will attend the follow up meeting on July 19th and discuss our concerns. He will report back to the Board.

Permits have to be reviewed by the State Patrol, the Sheriff's Department and local emergency services before approval by the County. Considerations include toilets, water, hand-washing stations, health board certification, traffic control, and the ability of emergency services to both take care of the event as well as being able to get through town and to other areas.

9) Public Input

Permits should be clear and well understood.

10) Adjourn meeting:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Thomas. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. by Chairman Thomas.