



SOUTHERN PARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Special Board of Directors' Meeting

2015.11.12 @ 7:00 pm

1) Introduction of Visitors

Carla Dabney
Tim Rucker

2) Attendees:

Board members present:

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

Excused Board Member:

Mike Parrish

Department members present

Chief Aaron Mandel
Eugene Farmer
Don Rocksted

3) Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 07:09 PM by Board Chair Ken Thomas.

4) Chief's Report:

Incident at Station 1: Tender backed into door and door needs to be replaced. Driver didn't utilize the assistant or the backup camera and struck the door. Follow up action will be enforcement of procedures already in training information. Insurance company will cover cost of repair. Door had been damaged before by truck impact.

Chief's truck had tires, brake discs and pads replaced. Bill expected to be ~\$1,500.

Test of tender with 5" hose was not successful. Pump will not push through 1000' of 5" hose. ISO requires the tender have 1,000' of hose. The tender pump will support 2.5" hose. Replacement with 1000' of 2.5" hose is \$3,740. Fire extinguishers need to be replaced (\$730)(planned based on age) and the SCBA masks also are ready for replacement.

Helmets and boots: \$1,100 (to be repaid by the auxiliary)

Hose replacement is \$3,740

SCBA masks replacement: 6 @\$100 = \$600

Extinguisher replacement: 10 @ \$730

Next expenditure for new bottles will be in excess of \$6,000 and is not included here.

Chief Mandel requests that the Board approve expenditure of \$5,500 versus expected excess of \$35,000 for the year. That would allow purchase of this and any other equipment needed in the next 45 days and still allow \$20,000 to be pushed into the capital improvement fund. The \$35,000 is available as expenditures have been under budget this year.

More training and qualification is needed for personnel to qualify them for structure fire and SCBA use. Also need to have SCBAs for HazMat procedures. Also the SCBA bottles will need to be replaced at the end of 2016. BC Thomas moves to allow expenditure of up to \$5,500 for hose, masks, extinguishers and SCBA bottles, second by Ms. Rucker, motion carries.

5) Billing for EMS Services

Chief Mandel made a presentation on billing for EMS services. This was researched and prepared with Gene Farmer. The presentation is available at www.guffeyfire.net. The proposed policy for billing is also posted there.

Mary Curtis could not attend and sent the board a letter ([attachment](#)) supporting medical billing and recommending the policy place all monies into a separate fund only for training and education. Response: *Fund use is established in the policy with a goal to use the fund to support the medical program. Subcommittee (Chief, Board Chair, Treasurer, EMT) recommends expenditures to the BOD for review in an open meeting.*

Mr. Thomas made a motion to proceed with medical billing, second by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

6) Adjourn meeting:

Board Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 8:05.

Attachment 1

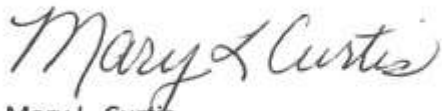
November 7, 2015

Dear Southern Park County Fire Protection District (SPCFPD) Board:

I am unable to attend the special meeting to address the Medical Billing Policy. After reading the proposed policy and hearing the discussion at the monthly board meeting open to the public on November 5th, I am totally in support of the SPCFPD doing medical billing. Since 80% of your calls are medical in nature, this would be another means of obtaining additional needed revenue.

You stated in your Medical Billing Policy that "all income generated from billing for medical services will be put into a separate department account with appropriations of funds to be agreed upon by the subcommittee and presented to the BOD for a final decision". I would propose that revenue generated from medical billing be put into a separate department account and all appropriations of funds be applied to training and education making sure we have competent first responders, first and foremost, and medical supplies.

Sincerely,



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