



SOUTHERN PARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board of Directors' Meeting

2016 Jul 07 @ 07:00 pm

1) Introduction of Visitors

Donna Rodriguez

Steve Taylor

2) Attendees:

Board members present:

Ken Thomas - Chair

Denny Gibeson

Mike Parrish

Sandy Rucker – Treasurer

Steve Wilson

(Mike Brandt - Secretary to the Board)

Excused Board Member:

Department members present

Chief Aaron Mandel

Lt Eugene Farmer

Lt. John Stride

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 Ms. Rucker; motion carried.

5) Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes as amended from the 2016.06 by Ms. Rucker, second by Mr. Thomas; motion carried.

6) Director's Chief's and Committee Reports

a. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report is available at www.guffeyfire.net. The billing program has been successful and the budget is in the black.

No extraordinary items to report this month.

The following requests for payment have been received and require Board approval: Ms. Rucker moves to accept and pay the following 3 bills. Each was seconded as shown and the motions carried.

Payment to:	Amount:	For:	2 nd
Dirks	\$6,432.65	Engine repair.	Mr. Wilson
Supply Cache	\$2,252.50	Wildland gear (which will be partially reimbursed by a grant.	Mr. Thomas
Darley	\$4,403.53	Hose	Mr. Thomas

b. Regulatory Matters

Request for reduced audit was lost by the CPA firm; they are now going to perform a full audit for the price (\$2,100) normally paid for the reduced audit as this was their error.

c. Chief's Report

Incident responses

	Month	Year to Date
Traffic Accidents	2	18
Medical	7	20
Wild Fires	2	4
Smoke Reports	3	4
Structure Fire	0	0
Other	3	10
Total Calls`	17	56

Summary:

1. Equipment still for sale. Sold S-91, still have Unimog and B-93 for sale. As no bids have been received Chief Mandel is considering pulling the pumps off and selling the vehicles as utility trucks. The pumps could be either reused or sold or used as a down payment on another structure engine.
2. Engine 9-1 – Received hose. Back soon?
3. Policy Sub Committee – Sent Crested Butte Jr. Info to committee.
4. Grants – Firefighter Safety and Disease Prevention received for \$63,607. Purchased 15,630 of Bunker gear & received reimbursement. We received VFA grant for \$1,034.25 and purchased packs. Bill arrived and has been sent in for reimbursement.
5. News Letter – Printed and distributed 100 at the station. Distributed to local businesses and library.
6. Radio – Need 2 handheld radios repaired (est. \$150-215 each), 800 MHz radio repair would be \$500 to \$1,000 and need 3 new mobile radios for \$1,042.05. Recommend we remove the 800 MHz radio from the truck and put it in the station. County radios are in the ambulances and the command truck. Mobile radios offer better capability. Chief Mandel requested permission to spend \$1,472.05 to purchase the mobile radios and repair the 2 existing units. Second by Mr. Parrish, motion carried.
7. New engine purchased for \$6,500. E-92 (aka Clifford) – needs a ladder rack, cab lights, and a full inspection by Mr. Wilson. Recommend putting Unimog into use in limited service once Engine 9-2 is approved for use. E 92 would be in Station 3 and the UniMog moved to Station 1. Probable uses would be for prescribed burns or as a tender and would have limited drivers.
8. Gorge update – 5 calls to date, 3 flights, 2 transports. Working well with BLM and had an area review and practice with Flight for Life. System is working well. Still working on banning alcohol and establishing toilets. Per the BLM, last year the 81 acre site had 31,000 visitors with 15 calls.
9. Bike race and special use permits – Ms. Verasco's event took place without a permit and bikers interfered with 3 calls during the race. It was a safety issue for the racers, spectators and the emergency responders. Chief Mandel would like the Board to contact the County Commissioners and note the difficulties. A second race was being tested on

county roads with review by CSP. It's not known whether the state can unilaterally grant permits without consultation with local municipalities. It's not known whether the racers are allowed to interfere with traffic.

10. New volunteers and CR 71 station – there are 3 new volunteers from the east side. Will review the area and talk to property owners while determining the best location per ISO requirements.
11. Equipment replacement plan – found some chassis that are equipment would fit with 4-wheel drive. Found units in PA and FL. May be better off building a reserve group to drive the tenders with the existing manual transmissions. If we move forward with the new station another tender is not required. Station repairs are needed – Station 2 needs roof repairs, 2 and 3 need stucco repair. 0:55
12. Fill the boot – there will be a nationwide campaign. Will do this with Hartsel this year.
13. Well Issues – back-to-back wildfires required refill from the department 3800 gallon cistern. Recharging the cistern drained the well to the point there was no water pressure in the station. As the well recharged, available water was used to refill the cistern. The well recharged in 24 hours and the outside fill point was put back into service.

d. Auxiliary Report

Successful sale over the 4th of July weekend. Auxiliary took in \$3,700.

7) Old Business

Status on Ballot Initiative – Mr. Parrish met with the clerk to review what is required. Should have the form needed this week and must have the language of the ballot question established by September 8th. Next critical date is the county clerk transferring the ballot question to the Colorado SOS by September 13th. The vote will be mail-in ballot only. Voters must be a registered CO voter. For residents of other counties, the local property owner will receive a supplemental ballot addressing this issue only. Residents of other states that are registered to vote in that state will not receive a ballot. District residents that are registered voters will receive a ballot as part of their normal ballot. Expect that the legal fees and costs will be on the order of \$5,000.00.

All ambulances were recertified. Medicare must still inspect the other 2 stations. The inspector was pleased and complimentary with the level of BLS service in evidence.

8) New Business

Community Meetings – 2016 (see attachment 1)

9) Public Input

Complaint about the shut-down of the well at the fire station. The complaint was that shutting down the well to preserve the ability to respond to fires put stock at risk that had been watered using the county well.

Chief Mandel noted that after the draw down to refill the tanker there was no well pressure as the well was not recharging at sufficient rate to give water to the station. The well pump supplies pressure to the station, the outside spigot and fills the cistern. When the outside spigot was locked for 24 hours to allow the well to recharge there were 2 users turned away that complained. One also complained to BLM in Canon City.

The Board noted that the fire chief has the legal power to establish a priority claim on water for fire-fighting. The Board will discuss the use of the well with the County as it is a County resource and will request a policy and a sign clearly establishing the County policy

regarding use of the well. The Board recommended making a sign that can be posted noting the well needs 24 hours to recharge and it will be locked out during that period.

Well permit has restrictions that will be reviewed with the County when they establish a policy for use.

10) Adjourn meeting:

Motion adjourned by Chairman Thomas at 9:18 p.m.

Attachment 1: From Subdivisions within Southern Park County Fire Protection District, date of HOA meeting, Board members which will visit.

<u>Subdivision</u>	<u>Date of HOA meeting</u>	<u>Board members</u>
Aspen Creek Ranch		
Aspen Meadows	July 23 rd	Gibeson, Thomas
Aspen Point Ranch		
Beaver Springs		
BEEBE Ranch		
Bear Trap Ranch	August 8 th	
Castle Mountain Ranch		
Cover Mountain Ranch		
DeerView		
Four Mile Ranch 2600		
Guffey (Freshwater)		
Four Mile Ranch 4038		
Latasha No Active HOA		
Old Kathleen Ranch S		
Olsons Slater Creek Ranch		
Parris Creek Ranch	No HOA/Annual Meeting	
Many Hills Ranch		
Park Ridge Ranch		
Peak & The Ponds		
Pike Meadows Estates	No HOA/Annual Meeting	
Pike Trials Ranches	August 27 nd 10:00am @ Station 3	
Pike Meadows Estates		
Saddle Mountain Heights		
Saddle Mountain Ranch		
Soda Springs Ranch		