



SOUTHERN PARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Board of Directors' Meeting

2019 Apr 04 @ 6:00 P.M.

1) Introduction of Visitors

Dylan Wood - Toussaint

2) Attendees:

Board members present:

Denny Gibeson- Chair
Sean English – Treasurer
Gary Kaszynski
Mike Parrish
Gene Wagner
(Mike Brandt - Secretary to the Board)

Excused Board Member:

Department members present

Chief Eugene Farmer
Ric Scheffel

3) Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 06:00 PM by Board Chair Denny Gibeson.

4) Approval of Agenda:

Mr. Wagner moved to approve the agenda as published, second by Mr. English; motion carried.

5) Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes as amended by discussion to correct call volume and mile billing rate for ambulance) from the 2019.03.07 meeting by Mr. Wagner, second by Mr. Parrish; motion carried.

6) Director's, Chief's, and Committee Reports

Reminder: Next Board of Director's Meeting is Thursday May 2nd, 2019 @ 6 pm

S.P.C.F.P.D. Mission Statement:

The Mission of the Southern Park County Fire Protection District is to provide fire protection and emergency rescue operations within its 240 square mile district boundaries; encourage fire and human caused disaster prevention through community education; ensure the existence of a properly trained team of primarily volunteer firefighters who are able to, and motivated to, respond professionally and work safely; acquire and maintain the necessary equipment; and provide mutual aid to neighboring fire and emergency services departments, as requested.

a. Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer’s report is available at www.guffeyfire.net . It has been modified to make it more transparent and easier to understand.

No extraordinary items to report this month.

The following requests for payment have been received and require Board approval. Motion to approve these expenditures by Mr.English, second by Mr. Wagner; motion carried.

Payment to:	Amount:	For:
US Treasury	\$2,199.84	Tax deposit Q1 2019
M. Yoder	\$3,250.00	Remove tender 9-2 tank and move it to storage. Modify old tank and add to Tender 9-3.

Audit has been returned by the accounting firm. Change to report and account for depreciation has increased the report size significantly. (11 pages vs. 5 pages). CPA has noted adjusted journal entries to maintain historical entry continuity. Equity adjusted to equal previous year. Estimated tax income is now listed as an account receivable. Specific ownership tax and retained earnings are now listed. Accordingly, with change in system to account for both value and depreciation the accounting system and valuation had to be changed to allow this process to be capable and reflect historical cost basis.

Accumulated depreciation is listed in the new format and depreciation will now be reported annually. Mr. Gibeson moved to report depreciation annually, second by Mr. Wagner; motion carried.

b. Regulatory Matters

No matters due in April.

c. Chief’s Report

Incident responses:

	Month	Year to Date
Traffic Accidents	3	8
Medical	10	39
Wild Fires	0	0
Smoke Reports	0	1
Structure Fire	0	1
Mutual Aid	3	3
Other	3	7
Total Calls	19	59

Water usage: kitchen: 2639gal.; Maintenance & training 1325 gal.; fire suppression 4500 gal.

Summary

1. Equipment status.

- a. Squad 9-3 & Med 9-1 tires quotes are within \$18 of quotes in January.
- b. Squad 9-2 transmission – still looking for service source.
- c. Tender 9-3 repairs are underway. Mr. Yoder is reviewing all air, gas and brake lines. Will determine cost to repaint to red depending on price. Recommend old tank be scrapped.
- d. Disposed of Tender 9-2 & Brush 9-1.

2. Personnel status: 25 on roster, 20 are active.

3. Training

- a. Two enrolled for the next IV class.
- b. Three scheduled for CPR instructor.
- c. Eight completed ice rescue training.

4. Grants update (received one) – have applied for several grants and received a grant for \$325.00 from NY Fire Fighters Foundation. Have not heard yet on requests for iPad, AEDs and new cot.

5. Budgeted \$16,000 for 2 SCBAs for 2019 – quote is for \$13,513.00 for 2 units with spare bottles. Mr. Gibeson moved to approve the purchase of both ambulance tire sets and the SCBAs, second by Mr. Parrish; motion carried.

6. Water storage update: 12 tanks are in production. Steve Wilson will either bid the entire job or work by the hour. The down payment of \$19,000 for the tank has been paid but not reimbursed yet by the county. At present there is \$55,000 in the capital improvement funds.

Excavation will be done by Steve Wilson. Revised IGA has not been signed yet. Can't get reimbursement until IGA is accomplished.

County requested a building permit for the hydrant and piping.

d. Auxiliary Report – nothing to report

7) Old Business

Water Storage Project: should have signed IGA this week. Consolidations and line vacations are underway.

Capital Improvements: plan to review all equipment. Messrs. Wagner and English will generate an inspection form for equipment and a schedule of inspections will be established.

Facility Use Policy Discussion: Mr. English will review insurance coverage to determine what will be covered and what additional insurance will be needed. Policy for loan of district equipment (e.g. tables and chairs) to organizations must be defined as well. Mr. English will forward document to Mr. Wood of Toussaint for review and comment.

1:35:00

8) New Business

November Election: Impact of Gallagher, Mill Levy needs. Statutory date for establishing property tax rates is April 15th. Current proposed reduction is from 7.2% to 6.95%.

What level of funding is necessary to run the department and meet the district needs? The 2019 budget has no excess funds. Mr. English is not sure that accurate recurring costs have been defined for the department and the stations. Equipment replacement is not budgeted. Previous budgets covered expendable medical supplies.

Any Mill Levy increase will have to be fully justified to voters to gain approval.

At present our previous DEO is no longer available. Debra Green (County Clerk) will meet with Mr. Parrish to discuss what can be done and what costs would be incurred (based on eligible electors). Any ballot would be a district referendum attached to the county ballot. Residents and in-state land owners are the electorate for such an election (around 2,000 voters).

9) Public Comment

Keep in mind that Colorado Springs election on fire fighters collective bargaining lost 2:1. Think in terms of what the public will accept.

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Equipment and use of equipment – chipper/shredder requires a department member trained on the apparatus and covered by the department insurance. Does this require a special rider?

10) Adjourn meeting: Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m. by Chairman Gibeson.