

GENESEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes of December 9, 2020

Board of Directors' Meeting

via Zoom conference

Board Members in Attendance: Nancy Balter, JP Brewer, Susan Eagle, Patti Harris, Scott Mefford

Board Members Excused: none

Also Attending: Chief Puffett, Chief Babcock, Neil Frame, Bob Dalton, Christina Shea

Call to Order: 18:02 by Scott Mefford

Minutes of Prior Meetings:

- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously, to accept the minutes of the November 18, 2020 Board meeting.

Public Comment and Announcements: none

Financial Reports

- **Review of August Financials**
 - The November, 2020 financial report, presented by Christina Shea. A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the financials as presented.
 - A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to put the cost savings associated with the reduction in the annual pension contribution in 2020 into the COLOTRUST account with a subname of Membership Incentive.
 - A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to adopt the 2021 Budget (Resolution no. 2020-12-01).

Reports of Officers, Committees, Professional Consultants

- **Deputy Chief Neil Frame's Report**
 - Call volume is ahead of last year at this time.
 - Coordinator positions for 2021 have been changed so that the current coordinators will serve as mentors to new coordinator trainees:
 - Apparatus: Dan Hammock
 - Recruiting: Hank O'Brien
 - Facilities: Bob Dalton
 - Medical: Doug Barenburg
- **Chief Ryan Babcock's Training Report**
 - Fire 1 Academy will begin in January with Hazmat training, followed by Wildland.
 - There are 3 people in the Engineering Academy and all are on track.
 - He is working on an arrangement with the Water District to use the unoccupied building on 74 as a training facility.
 - The Mountain Metro Wildfire Mitigation Council Vision Statement was presented.

Old Business

- **Rotary Wildfire Ready**
 - Nancy Balter reported that someone from Emergency Management for Larimar County speak about best practices at their meeting next week.
- **Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update**
 - Scott Mefford and Nancy Balter reported on progress to date. Chief Puffett will try to set up weekly meetings between the core group and Forest Guild to keep track of progress.
- **COVID-19 Update**
 - Although there have been meetings about roll-out of the vaccine, there remain a lot of unknowns.

- Chief Puffett worked with legal counsel and has a waiver that members who opt not to receive the vaccine will sign.

New Business

- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously, to set the Board Meeting Schedule for 2021.
- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously, to approve the continuation of the disaster resolution, RESOLUTION NO. 2020-0324-01, for one month.

There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 19:03 hours.