

GENESEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes of May 18, 2022
Board of Directors' Meeting

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

Board Members Excused: none

Also Attending: Christina Jantzeff, Jason Puffett, Peter Greenstone, Doug Barenburg, Cindy Van (Haynie & Co.)

Call to Order: 18:01 by Director Mefford

Minutes of Prior Meetings:

- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of the April 20, 2022 Board meeting.

Public Comment and Announcements:

- none

Financial Reports

- **Review of March Financials**
 - The April, 2022 financial report was presented by Christina Jantzeff
 - Review of notable payables: none
 - A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the year-to-date financials as presented.

Reports of Officers, Committees, Professional Consultants

- **Wildland Specialist Dorie Dalton's Report** (submitted, reviewed by Peter Greenstone)
 - May 7, Wildfire Preparedness Day, a WUI checkpoint at exits 254 and 256 were manned and 500 FireWise posters were handed out in 3.5 hours. \$336 in unsolicited donations was collected and will be toward community engagement projects.
 - Wildland Prepared assessments, neighborhood walks and Plan Unit presentations continue
- **Training Chief Ryan Babcock's Report** (by Peter Greenstone)
 - Live fire training was held last Saturday
- **Deputy Chief Joe Auster's Report** (by Peter Greenstone)
 - Events:
 - Graduation is planned for May 21
 - A membership event is planned for August 7 at Genesee Pub
 - The Open House will be September 17
 - Apparatus: all equipment in service
 - Recruiting:
 - the two individuals who expressed interest last year are no longer interested
 - two applicants have been interviewed, one selected to move forward
 - Facilities: The TVs in the training room have been remounted
 - Medical (Doug Barenburg):
 - continuing training opportunities, both in house and with Highland Rescue. More volunteers are taking advantage of the Highland trainings
 - GFR helped with the 9 Health Fair hosted by Highland Rescue
 - GFR will participate in a pool safety event for families in Genesee Foundation
 - Wildland:
 - Representatives of the 9 mountain agencies have met and set up a communication system with the goal of trying to respond to out of district requests for aid by sending a task force.
 - GFR is more prepared for a wildland fire than it has ever been.

Old Business

- 50th Anniversary Book: Hank O'Brien would like a photo of the GFPD Board of Directors
- Emergency Access Road Update
 - Scott Mefford reported on the progress to date by the tri-Board working group on a southern Emergency Access Road (EAR) and the process that is being used to build consensus among the Boards with the ultimate goal of developing specifications for an RFP.
 - Chief Puffett will distribute the current draft to Board Directors.

New Business

- Directors Balter, Brewer, Eagle and Harris took their oaths of office and submitted signed paperwork for Christina to notarize
- The following officers were elected: Scott Mefford, President; Patti Harris, treasurer; Nancy Balter, Secretary

There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 19:25 hours.