

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PAGOSA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 18, 2014

The regular meeting of the Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at Station #1, 191 North Pagosa Blvd., Pagosa Springs, Colorado.

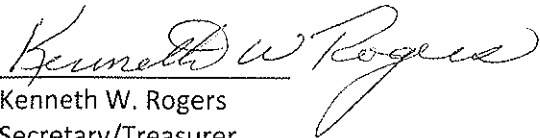
1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman LeRoy Lattin at 6:30 p.m. The following directors were present: David Blake, Ken Rogers and John Thompson. Director Weiss was out of town.
2. The minutes of the February 11, 2014, meeting were approved with the spelling correction of Chairman Lattin's name on motion by David Blake, second by Ken Rogers and passed.
3. The Board reviewed the refinancing documents for Archuleta County Dispatch equipment. A question was raised as to who would be responsible for the loan payments. Chief Bower assured the Board that loan payments are funded by #-911 funds collected through the Public Utilities Commission. Quarterly payments made by the District to Archuleta County Dispatch are used to fund daily operations. The Resolution to allow Chief Bower to sign the loan documents was reviewed with the amount of \$357,000 being changed to "not to exceed \$357,500." A motion to approve the resolution as amended was made by Ken Rogers, second by David Blake and passed.
4. Wildland Coordinator John Gilbert gave an overview of out-of-District response including the number of apparatus and wildland firefighters that are listed on the Cooperator Resource Rate Form. The District's wildland fleet consists of three Type 6 engines, one Type 3 engine and 3 water tenders. At any single time, the District will only send out two Type 6 engines along with one Tender or Type 1 structure engine. Only one structure protection engine will be sent at any time due to the need for structural protection within the District.

Volunteers as well as full-time employees may fill assignments. When assignments are filled by full-time employees, the District will be reimbursed for that employee as well as the costs of backfilling that position. Conference calls are held weekly during the fire season so that all involved agencies are kept up to date on fire conditions.
5. The out-of-District response policy was presented for final approval by Assistant Chief Brian Leewitt. David Blake moved to approve the policy with Mile Marker 11 to be changed to Mile Marker 114. The motion, seconded by John Thompson, passed unanimously. Approval of this policy will allow the bill for response to incidents occurring outside of the District boundaries.
6. A memorandum from legal counsel addressing issues of exclusion was distributed to each Board member. The District cannot implement exclusion proceedings of any area currently within the boundaries unless that area can be included into another District; however, the owners of the property can request to be excluded. Concern had been expressed at a previous meeting about the three large ranches in Station 7's area. Assistant Chief Leewitt and Wildland Coordinator

Gilbert will meet with the ranch owners to express the District's concern that all fires be reported as soon as discovered to allow the District to dispatch adequate resources. Director John Thompson requested that he attend this meeting also. It was agreed that the District can offer mitigation assistance to the owners. Results will be communicated to the Board at the next regular meeting.

7. The Board was advised that the local builders association in conjunction with planning and code officials as well as engineers are developing guidelines for the creation of a Board of Appeals. The Board will need to take official action implementing these guidelines after attorney review.
8. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. Directors were reminded that the April meeting is scheduled for the 22nd and will include a meeting with the Pension Fund Board of Trustees.

Respectfully Submitted,


Kenneth W. Rogers
Secretary/Treasurer