

CARBONDALE & RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MISSOURI HEIGHTS FIRE STATION

APRIL 9, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District met for their regular meeting on April 9, 2014 at the Missouri Heights Fire Station.

President Gene Schilling called the meeting to order at 5:55 p.m. Directors present were Mike Kennedy, Louis Eller, Bob Emerson and Mark Chain. Also present were Ron Leach, Jenny Cutright, Bill Gavette, Rob Goodwin, Karen Tafajian and Doug Davis.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items on the consent agenda were: Approve the Minutes of the February 26 Special Meeting, and the March 12, 2014 Regular Meeting and Approve Current Bills and Balances.

MOTION: made to approve the consent agenda. It carried and passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Task Force Committee Update Ron Leach said that next meeting is April 21, 2014. He said that the meeting will be focused on what the District does, namely the 5 sections/divisions.

Ron Leach said there were 15 people at the March task force meeting. He said the meeting went well and the people seemed really engaged. He reviewed the meeting and activities with the Board of Directors. He added that the plan is to meet through July, then the Task Force will make a recommendation to the Board of Directors. General discussion regarding changing the Board of Directors meeting date in August until after the Task Force meeting followed. No action was taken.

Election Update Jenny Cutright said that everything is on schedule and the printer expects to send the ballots out on April 14. She added that the display and legal ads have been scheduled also.

Missouri Heights Wildfire Risk Ron Leach said discussed the wildfire risk in Missouri Heights. He added that the Garfield County Sheriff has said that they are willing to contribute to the cost of the Garfield County wildfire engine. He also said that the Basalt Fire IA crews will help out in the Missouri Heights area also.

Gene Schilling noted that there has already been a red flag warning on the Eastern Slope and Southwest portion of the state. Doug Davis said that there is a lot of thick vegetation left over

from previous years. He also said that the District needs to think about possible flooding in the area. General discussion regarding volunteers participating in the IA program followed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

2014 Budget Quarter Review Ron Leach reviewed the current income statement. He said that the report includes 4 months' worth of expenditures and is 5% under budget.

NEW BUSINESS

Station 5 Paint Job Ron Leach said that Station 5 really needs a paint job. He said Station 5 is a very expensive building to paint and needs to be done by a professional painter. He noted that the paint job is another expense that is being deferred.

Discussion regarding ambulance billing followed. No action was taken.

Marble Town Council Louis Eller said that at the last Marble town council meeting he offered to give the Town of Marble Trustees a report on the fire department on a quarterly basis.

Ambulance Billing Ron Leach said that Basalt Fire has asked if Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District would be interested in taking over their ambulance billing. Discussion followed and no action was taken.

Redstone Community Association Meeting Louis Eller said that the Redstone Community Association met and asked about the fire department's involvement with the 4th of July festivities. He said that he would be able to help and asked if it would be possible to let the volunteers know that help is needed. Rob Goodwin will follow up with the volunteers as it gets closer.

Wildfire Conference Louis Eller said that he would like to attend the wildfire conference in Glenwood Springs. Discussion regarding other directors that may want to attend followed.

MOTION: made to approve for up to two people to attend the wildfire conference and to pay for it out of the training budget. It carried and passed 4-1.

MOTION: made to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at 6:31 p.m. It carried and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Cutright, Recording Secretary

Gene Schilling, President