

CARBONDALE & RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CARBONDALE FIRE HEADQUARTERS

MAY 10, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District met for their regular meeting on May 10, 2017 at the Carbondale Fire Headquarters/Training Building.

President Gene Schilling called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Directors present were Mike Kennedy, Louis Eller and Carl Smith. Also present were Jenny Cutright, Rob Goodwin, Bill Gavette, Frank Nadell, Eric Gross and Jake Spaulding. Ron Leach and Nate Eckloff & Wes Bradish from RBC Dain Rasucher attended by telephone. Director Tom Adgate was absent.

CHANGES TO AGENDA

Carl Smith requested to add Marble Fuel Release to the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items on the consent agenda were:

- Approve the Minutes of April 12, 2017 Regular Meeting
- Approve Current Bills and Balances

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

PERSONS PRESENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no members of the public present.

STAFF REPORTS

ISO Survey Rob Goodwin said that the ISO Survey is in, but the rating does not become official until August 1, 2017. He said the District received an ISO Class 3 rating. Rob Goodwin added that this is the first time the District was rated on the new ISO schedule. He said one thing to note is that the new ISO rating doesn't become official until August 1 2017. Rob Goodwin said that once it is published by ISO, it will be official. He added that the District was one of the last to be rated on the old rating schedule. General discussion regarding the ISO rating followed. Mike Kennedy said that everyone did a good job obtaining the ISO 3.

Marble Fuel Release Rob Goodwin said that all of the lab results are in and the District's consultant is completing the report. He said that the State of Colorado is reviewing the data and waiting for approval to finish the project. Rob Goodwin said that they drilled 25 feet down, and

the lowest point fuel was detected was between 11-12 feet. He said that the state will advise if the wells need to be monitored, any dirt needs to be disposed of, etc. Carl Smith asked about the expenses to date and expected future expenses. General discussion regarding possible remediation plans followed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

2016 Audit Jenny Cutright distributed the 2016 audit. She said if the board had any questions, the audit will be on the agenda for June.

Training Ground Cost Estimate Frank Nadell said that he has been working on plans for the training ground for many years. He said the architects priced the training ground project at \$1.2 million. He said that they also priced out adding two apparatus bays at Station 4 at \$571,000.

General discussion regarding the training ground followed. Frank Nadell said the infrastructure and roads need to be put in first, and the project could be done in phases. Gene Schilling said it would be possible to do this project with a new bond and mill levy extension. He added the district could look at a Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District grant for as well. He noted that the District does not have the matching funds available

There was a recess at 5:55 p.m.

The Board of Directors reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

GALLAGHER AMENDMENT/PROPERTY TAXES

Nate Eckloff and Wes Bradish from RBC Dain Rauscher were on the telephone to discuss the new residential assessment rate. They discussed the Gallagher Amendment and the new residential assessment rate. Nate Eckloff said that the expectation was that the residential assessment rate would be decreasing more. He said that the residential assessment rate dropped from 7.96% to 7.2%. He said that the biggest concern was that the residential assessment rate would reduce the overall assessed valuation, even when taking in to consideration the increase in property values. He said that current calculations estimate a 6.2% overall increase in the assessed valuation, taking in to account the Gallagher Amendment.

General discussion regarding future assessments, the Gallagher Amendment and mill levies followed. No action was taken.

OLD BUSINESS

2018 Strategic Plan Carl Smith said that he worked on a strategic plan for an ambulance service in Baca County and shared it with the Board of Directors. Gene Schilling said the master plan

addressed a lot of strategic planning. Discussion followed. Louis Eller added that the strategic plan was a component of the master plan, but it may have been overshadowed by the entire master plan document.

Eric Gross encouraged the Board of Directors to review section 2 of the master plan. He noted that the contract with Almont Associates stated a strategic plan was to be included with the master plan. Gene Schilling said that it would be helpful to review and update the strategic plan if needed.

Mike Kennedy said the board needs to look at continuing the mill levy override. Further discussion regarding the possibility of an election and the strategic plan followed. The staff will review the strategic plan to see if any updates are needed.

MOTION: made to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at 6:24 p.m. It carried and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Cutright, Recording Secretary

Gene Schilling, President