

CARBONDALE & RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CARBONDALE FIRE HEADQUARTERS

DECEMBER 9, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District met for their regular meeting on December 9, 2020 at the Carbondale Fire Headquarters/Training Building.

President Gene Schilling called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. Directors present were Mike Kennedy and Sydney Schalit. Secretary/Treasurer Michael Hassig attend via teleconference. Also present in person were Rob Goodwin, Jenny Cutright, and Kat Bernat. Also present via teleconference was Eric Gross. Director Gretchen Stock Bell was absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items on the consent agenda were:

- Approve the Minutes of the July 8, 2020 August 12, 2020, September 9, 2020, October 14, 2020 and November 11, 2020 Regular Meetings
- Approve the Minutes of the July 22, 2020, August 26, 2020, September 23, 2020 and October 28, 2020 Special Meetings
- Approve the Minutes of the July 29, 2020 Emergency Meeting
- Approve Current Bills and Balances

MOTION: made by Mike Kennedy, seconded by Sydney Schalit, to approve the consent agenda as noted. It carried and passed unanimously.

PERSONS PRESENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

No members of the public were present.

2021 BUDGET ADOPTION

There were no changes made to the budget since the last review. The District will receive updated assessed valuations during 2021 for the following year. It was noted that the reserves are budgeted to increase at the end of 2021.

MOTION: made by Mike Kennedy, seconded by Sydney Schalit, to adopt Resolution 2020-008, A Resolution Summarizing Expenditures and Revenues for each Fund and Adopting a Budget for the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District, Colorado, for the calendar year beginning on the first day of January, 2021 and ending on the last day of December, 2021. It carried and passed unanimously.

MOTION: made by Sydney Schalit, seconded by Mike Kennedy, to adopt Resolution 2020-009, A Resolution Levying General Property Taxes for the Year 2021, to Help Defray the Costs of Government for the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District, Colorado, for the 2021 Budget Year. It carried and passed unanimously.

MOTION: made by Sydney Schalit, seconded by Mike Kennedy, to adopt Resolution 2020-010, A Resolution Appropriating Sums of Money to the Various Funds and Spending Agencies, in the Amounts and for the Purpose as set forth below, for the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District, Colorado, for the 2021 Budget Year. It carried and passed unanimously.

MOTION: made by Michael Hassig, seconded by Sydney Schalit, to adopt Resolution 2020-011, A Resolution Designating all Year-End Fund Balances as a "Reserve Increase". It carried and passed unanimously.

MOTION: made by Michael Hassig, seconded by Sydney Schalit, to adopt Resolution 2020-012, A Resolution Appropriating Additional Sums of Money to Defray Expenses in Excess of Amounts Budgeted for the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District, Colorado (General Fund). It carried and passed unanimously.

MOTION: made by Sydney Schalit, seconded by Mike Kennedy, to adopt Resolution 2020-013, A Resolution Appropriating Additional Sums of Money to Defray Expenses in Excess of Amounts Budgeted for the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District, Colorado (Capital Projects Fund). It carried and passed unanimously.

MOTION: made by Sydney Schalit, seconded by Mike Kennedy, to adopt Resolution 2020-014, A Resolution Appropriating Additional Sums of Money to Defray Expenses in Excess of Amounts Budgeted for the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District, Colorado (Bond Fund). It carried and passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Chiefs Report Staff worked with Gene Schilling to distribute bonus checks for the staff this year. The employees were surprised and grateful.

COVID-19 There have been a number of patients with COVID that were transported recently. The District protocols have been working well. There have been no exposures due to transports. One staff member's family member tested positive for COVID-19 and the staff member tested positive after. The staff member was isolated per protocol and quarantined at home for 14 days. Several staff were routinely tested over the following several days and all tested negative.

The State of Colorado is expected to receive approximately 48,000 doses of vaccine in the first shipment. The vaccine will be distributed locally, with about 215 doses being delivered to Garfield County. The vaccine will be administered using a tiered system. Tier 1A includes front line doctors, nurses and hospital staff. Tier 1B includes first responders. Vaccine shipments are expected to come at least weekly for some time. The vaccine will not be mandatory for members and an email will be sent to members to determine how many members want the vaccine. Further information regarding the vaccine schedule will follow.

BOND PROJECTS

Visionary Broadband Lease A three-way lease has been worked out with Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District, the Town of Marble, and Visionary Broadband. Discussion of the terms of the 10-year lease and the Marble station's antennae placement followed. The fire district's antennas will be remounted on Station 83 fire station once the building is complete, then moved when Visionary Broadband constructs the pad and tower. This is expected to be a great partnership with Visionary Broadband, as well as a benefit to the Town of Marble.

MOTION: made by Sydney Schalit, seconded by Mike Kennedy, to approve the lease with Visionary Broadband. It carried and passed unanimously.

Buildings Station 83 is expected to be completed by December 23, 2020. It was delayed due to a COVID exposure on the job site.

Apparatus A crew is doing the final inspect on the new apparatus next week. The trucks are expected to be in Colorado at the end of December or beginning of January.

OLD BUSINESS

Verizon Site – Aspen Glen Lease Staff and the District's Attorney spoke with representatives from Aspen Glen about an easement that is needed for the Verizon Tower on the fire district's parcel at Aspen Glen. Aspen Glen ask to have their annual lease fee waived in exchange in perpetuity for the easement. Discussion of the parcel boundaries, tower location, easement request, and storage area that Aspen Glen leases followed.

President Gene Schilling left the meeting at 11:47 a.m.

MOTION: made by Sydney Schalit, seconded by Michael Hassig, for the District's attorney to return to Aspen Glen Golf Course with no change to the original lease agreement. It carried and passed 3-0.

MOTION: made by Mike Kennedy, seconded by Sydney Schalit, to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at 11:55 a.m. It carried and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Cutright, Recording Secretary

Gene Schilling, President