

CARBONDALE & RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CARBONDALE FIRE HEADQUARTERS

NOVEMBER 11, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District held an in-person meeting and teleconference for their regular meeting on November 11, 2020.

President Gene Schilling called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. Directors present were: Mike Kennedy, Mike Kennedy, Gretchen Stock Bell, and Sydney Schalit. Also present were Rob Goodwin, Jenny Cutright, Mike Wagner, and Kat Bernat. Eric Gross attended via teleconference.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items on the consent agenda were:

- Approve Current Bills and Balances

MOTION: 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 or on the teleconference.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING 2021 BUDGET

President Gene Schilling called the public hearing to order at 11:02 a.m. There were no members of the public were present or via teleconference.

The proposed draft 2021 budget was reviewed. It was noted that there were no changes to the 2021 budget since the last review. Specific line items were reviewed. Rob Goodwin noted that he is trying to see if the budget will support the first of a sixth person on a shift. With concurrent happening multiple times per week, a sixth person per shift is needed. The sixth responder per shift is also part of the 2015 Master Plan.

A supplemental budget will be needed for the 2020 budget. Discussion regarding property tax calculations since Amendment B passed followed.

The off-year pension actuarial was received yesterday and will be distributed to the Board of Directors.

The Station 84 project is complete and came in under the maximum price guarantee. Station 83 is expected to be completed by November 19, but may be delayed due to a possible COVID-19 exposure at the job site, stopping work.

The estimated cost for the Training Ground and Station 81 expansion project are \$794,000 over the funds available. Discussion regarding revenue and income generating options followed. It was noted that all options of funds will be explored. The Board of Directors encouraged Staff to look for support from outside agencies and grant opportunities, instead of using the Capital Replacement Fund if possible.

MOTION: to close the public hearing regarding the 2021 budget. It carried and passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Chief's Report There has been a spike in COVID cases, with a second peak expected. The District is tightening up protocols, including more separation between administrative and operational staff to prevent cross contamination.

BOND PROJECTS

A crew is going for the final apparatus inspections in late November. The apparatus are now expected to arrive the first week of December.

OLD BUSINESS

Off-Year Actuarial Study The Board of Directors requested to schedule a special Pension Board meeting on December 9 at 11 a.m. to discuss the actuarial.

NEW BUSINESS

FPPA Contributions FPPA is changing the contribution schedule for all paid members. The new contribution schedule was reviewed.

MOTION: to keep FPPA contributions as they are. It carried and passed unanimously

Verizon Site – Aspen Glen Property Verizon would like to put a mono-pine on the Aspen Glen lot for cell coverage in the area. Discussion followed. Staff and the District's Attorney will continue to work with Verizon and Aspen Glen Golf regarding the property and update the board accordingly.

President Gene Schilling left the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Marble Station- Broadband /Antenna Tower There are four radio antennas on Station 83. Visionary Broadband is working to bring broadband to the Crystal Valley. They want to put their equipment on the radio tower at Station 83. The tower needs to be built to a different standard, including a HALO grounding system . Drawings for a tower are in process. Phil Vaughn, the District's owner's rep, is assisting with this process. No action was taken.

MOTION: made to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at 12:01 p.m. It carried and passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Cutright, Recording Secretary

Gene Schilling, President