

**MESA COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

July 26, 2022

At 7:00 PM Chairman Wayne DeGesualdo called the meeting to order. Wayne DeGesualdo, Chuck Nelson, Tim Bevan, Eric Brown, Randy Zellner and Darrell Charlesworth were all in attendance.

Wayne DeGesualdo asked all in attendance to raise and recite the pledge of allegiance. Wayne DeGesualdo then opened with a prayer.

Approval of the Minutes

Chairman Wayne DeGesualdo asked if everyone had a chance to read the June minutes. Randy Zellner made a motion to accept the June minutes as presented. Darrell Charlesworth seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Signs: Chief presented a quote for signs, but it was not detailed on how many signs and which vehicles. Signs was tabled until a better and more detailed quote can be obtained.

Mission Statement: Three mission statements and two value statements were presented to the board. After some discussion on it Randy Zellner made a motion to that Mesa County Fire Authority adopt the following mission statement and value statement.

Mission Statement: "We, the Members of Mesa County Fire Authority, dedicate our efforts to protecting the people and property of those living in and traveling through our jurisdiction."

Value Statement: "Mesa County Fire Authority values Honesty, Integrity, Courage, Kindness and Compassion. We will conduct ourselves, our business and relations with these as our guide in a professional manner."

Darrell Charlesworth seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion carried.

Fix up Station: Chief Cox presented a plan that members came up with to fix up station 51 along with approximate costs. Randy Zellner made a motion that the members use the

funds raised at the June Fundraiser to fix up station 51 as presented. Eric Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Property at 3252 ½ B ½ Road: Chief Cox, Darrell Charlesworth and Chuck Nelson all visited this property along with the realtor. It was presented to the board as possible living quarters as this property is the neighboring property to station 51. The property is going up for auction in August. After much discussion it was agreed that the limit they agreed on was not enough to make it worth while to attend the auction.

Commissioner Meeting August 15th at 1PM: Chief Cox, Eric Brown and Wayne DeGesualdo will meet with the commissioners to talk about possible properties and funds for a future fire station.

SCBA's for Ladder Truck: Chief Cox said that Chief Balke of Palisade had approached him about trading the Scotts SCBA's for a ladder truck. Explained that MCFA purchased new SCBA's to match the ones that Central Orchard Mesa has and that they are not compatible with the Scotts. Darrell Charlesworth made a motion that we trade the SCBAs for the ladder truck. Chuck Nelson seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion carried.

Lexipol: Chief Cox and Assistant Chief C. Fronczek were able to get Lexipol up and running and is now ready for SOP.

Set up Meeting for SOP: Wayne DeGesualdo said to provide him with a date that works for the others and they will start on the new SOP's.

Re-allocate Funds from 801 to 804: Chief Cox asked that the board approve reallocating from 801 to 804 pay our assistant chief \$32,000.00 a year. That would be just over \$13,500 for the remainder of the year and we have it in the budget we just need to move it from 801 to 804. Randy Zellner made a motion to pay Assistant Chief C. Fronczek \$32,000.00 a year starting on August 1, 2022 and move the funds from 801 to 804 with the understanding that there will be a job description to follow and she will need to sign and return it or decline the position at that time. Eric Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report

Chuck Nelson presented the treasurers report. Ambulance Income is low due to the move from Central Orchard Mesa to our new billing company for Mesa County Fire Authority which just started this month. Randy Zellner questioned why there is no LDT income but there is LDT expenses- explained that those are still coming in through Central Orchard Mesa. Chuck said Shawn and the department are doing great on keeping costs down. Everything looks in line for where we are at in the year. Linda Weber did note that both Central Orchard Mesa and Lands End Fire has money left in their accounts that will probably make its way to MCFA at the end of the year which will help build the new station.

Darrell Charlesworth made a motion to except the treasurer's report as presented. Randy Zellner seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion Carried.

Chiefs Report

Personal- one new member, one member that left but never fully joined. Sending one to EMS Class paying \$2,400 for her to attend. Sending two to IV class at the cost of \$350 per person.

Vehicles- No issues- all in service

Grants- FEMA AFG (COM and LEFPD) tenders are at the wait and see stage

Trainings- 2 Fire, 2 EMS, Over the Edge Training 7/31

Lands End Hill Climb- Will be on August 6th and 7th, will be doing standby for them again this year at an increased rate of \$180 per hour for a total of \$3,200. We will provide food and drinks for the members- will take half the funds earned and pay the members who attend.

Calls-

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23 calls this month

7 calls between 8am - 5pm

16 calls between 5pm - 8am

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5 Fire
15 EMS
2 Rescue

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Mutual Aid

Other matters Before the Board:

Randy Zellner asked if we are paying Linda Weber to write our grants. Linda Weber said sometimes. Chuck Nelson said that when she sends us a bill we pay her. The board expressed their appreciation for her hard work and wants to make sure she gets paid for her efforts.

Public Comment:

Linda Weber said that Rick got ahold of JP Fiberglass is supposed to give an estimate on the repair of the tanks in the next couple of weeks.

Rich Phillips said the Public appreciates what everyone is doing.

Adjournment of meeting

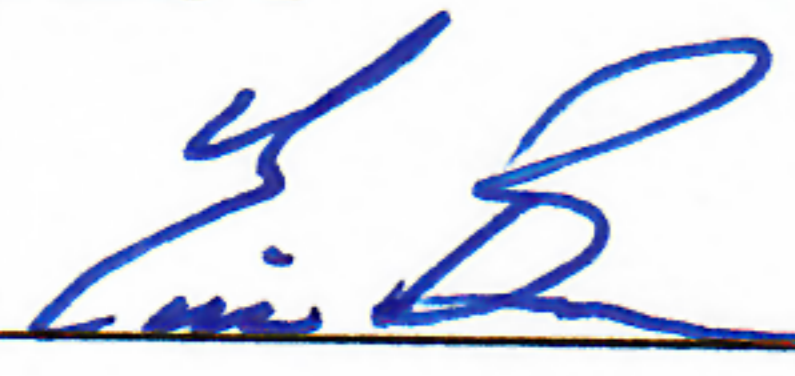
Randy Zellner made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Chuck Nelson seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:13PM.

Next Board Meeting is August 23, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,
Stacy Cox, Board/Fire Chief Assistant
Mesa County Fire Authority



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