# LANDS END FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT MONTHLY

# BOARD MEETING, April 27, 2021

At 7:02PM Chairman Eric Brown called the meeting to order. Eric Brown, Chuck Nelson, Kent Clinkingbeard, Linda Weber and Wayne DeGesualdo were present for the board. Eric welcomed everyone to the board meeting.

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Eric Brown thanked everyone for saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **MEETING MINUTES**

Chairman Eric Brown asked if everyone had a chance to read over the meeting minutes and if there were any corrections. Being none Wayne DeGesualdo made a motion to approve the minutes. Linda Weber seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Citizen's Concern: Wayne DeGesualdo, talked about Whitewater Village, and his concerns about adequate fire flow capabilities. After some research, found that Grand Junction, uses IFC 2018 and no one at the last board meeting including chief did not know what fire code we adopted out here. I found that we use 2018 IFC, according to B105.1: It's one or two family dwellings group, R3 and R4 villas and townhouses, the minimum fire flow and float duration requirements. For one to two family dwellings, groups of R3 or R4 buildings and townhouses shall be as specified in the B105.1 and 105.2 and that is square footage from zero to 3630 square feet without a sprinkler system then we're required to have 1000 GPM at the height with duration of at least one hour. I'm not sure if Clifton Water at present can supply that. - This is something we will have to find out. Shawn talked about the Clifton Water tank holding 20,000 gallons of water. Wayne asked if we have ever done a flow test here in town and if not one will need to be performed. Linda weber advised the tank can hold a million gallons of water but does not at this time. The concern is the size of the pipe from the tank- due to fiction and pressure loss. Wayne also advised that the wildland urban interface uses the same B105 standards. Wayne believes this is critically important for the residents that will be living there, as the fire department he takes this very serious and believe we need to make sure we follow up. Lt. Shawn Cox asked if Wayne had a chance to read the last letter that Chief Lurvey had sent to the planners/developers. Lt. Cox explained that it requires two easements and fire hydrants have to be less than 500 feet apart throughout the subdivision, that can process 1,000 gallons per minute. Linda Weber advised that Chuck Mathis told Chief Lurvey that since we adopted IFC in 2018 we are liable if we do not comply with that code. Wayne said that these are things we could not talk about after, because there is going to be building in our area. I am unsure of what you have done in the past but need follow the code for access to some of these rural home. Wayne stated there are standards for the driveway, how big the curves and all that stuff. So those are two critical things that come to mind. Chairman

Eric Brown thanked Wayne for the research and asked if the department needs to adopt the code each year. Linda Weber explained only when the code changes do we need to adopt a new one, otherwise it just stays the same. Chuck Nelson advised that many of the older homes and driveways were grandfathered in. Linda Weber said it would be good to know if Chief Lurvey goes out and signs off on new developments and driveways, she thinks he does and signs off on them.

Eric Brown brought up underground water storage tanks and said that there are four or five of them throughout the district on which we can pull water from. Chuck Nelson along with Lt. Shawn Cox said they have located those and the members have be instructed on their location and use.

Christmas Party: Looking at honoring our newly pinned cadets at the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration instead of Christmas- and inviting the board.

Website: Need to update and improve our website, only own the domain. Currently have a website that is administered for free from the State of Colorado. Going to offer it to in house people to see if they want to take that on and then look for outside help if no one is interested.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## Treasurers Report

Exemption from audit was approved. Linda Weber reviewed the treasurers report. Clarified 200 total is \$25,000 budget and we are sitting at \$7,500 spent.

# Chief's Report

Chief's Report March 2021 Given by Lt. Shawn Cox

**Donation:** Donation was made for \$500 in honor of Jamin Tiede. Asked if a memorial of some sort should be created and reveal it at the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Will talk to the members and come up with something.

#### Personnel:

We had 1 volunteer that turned in their resignation due to schedule issues. Unable to commit time due to school.

**Projects:** Spoke with county commissioners. We are currently looking at call volume-and figuring out response times and where a mutual station might serve both districts. Talked about possible locations of a new station if the authority is formed- and the call mapping will help us figure out what location would be best. Talked about going to an automatic aid between Central Orchard Mesa and Lands End Fire Protection District and looking at making that happen soon. Eric Brown asked if th public has to vote on this. Linda Weber said for an authority you do not but if you want to merge you do.

Chuck Nelson made a motion to move forward with forming the fire authority. Linda Weber, 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Grants: Put in for a wildland assistance grant. Along with a Create Grant.

Talking with officers on our needs, and then we will look and see if there are grants out there that will help us out.

Vehicles: B-111 still being worked on. No other major issues

### Calls:

March 2020 - 20

March 2021- 15

2020 YTD - 48

2021 YTD - 39

Down 19% in calls from last year.

### Feb-21

Incident		Time			
#	Date	(24hr)	Call Type		
25	3/2/2021	18	ems	no personnel available	mutual aid received
26	3/3/2021	23	ems	DOA	
27	3/6/2021	10	weed fire smoke	weed fire	mutual aid given
28	3/7/2021	8	check	controlled burn careflight	
29	3/19/2021	13	ems	transported	mutual aid given ALS mutual aid
30	3/22/2021	9	ems	transport	received
31	3/23/2021	16	ems	refusal	
32	3/24/2021	13	weed fire		mutual aid given
33	3/28/2021	8	ems	paid standby	<b>3</b>
34	3/28/2021	13	weed fire		
35	3/30/2021	12	ems	transport	ALS mutual aid received ALS mutual aid
36	3/30/2021	21	ems	transport	received
37	3/31/2021	12	ems	no incident found	
38	3/31/2021	12	ems	no incident found	
39	3/31/2021	16	crash	refusal	

## **Training:**

# Other Matters Before the Board

None

## Open to the Public

Rick Weber said that the board and department are doing a great job and the community is blessed because of it. Rick also said he was in favor of doing something honoring Jamin. Chuck Nelson said it should be something that we can add names to like Walter who was a board member when he passed away. Rick Weber is also in favor of creating a new website for the community to see. Linda Weber said I think we are and she is very excited to have the Authority happen. Rich Phillips is also in favor of the website.

Chuck Nelson advised the board Patricia Thompson has passed away. A card will be brought into the station for everyone to sign.

# Adjournment of meeting

Linda Weber made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Wayne DeGesualdo seconded the motion. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Eric Brown thanked for everyone for showing up.

Next Board Meeting is May 25, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy Cox, Board/Fire Chief Assistant

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