

CENTRAL ORCHARD MESA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board Meeting – June 4, 2020

PENSION BOARD MEETING:

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Randy Patterson. In attendance were Dave Larsen, Tim Bevan, Murray Theissen and John Sigle. A quorum was established. Others in attendance were Chief Dave Gitchell and Administrative Assistant Linda Weber. Randy Zellner was absent with an excused absence.

Minutes of the March 2020 Board Meeting was read. **MOTION** by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Patterson to accept the March 2020 minutes as written. Minutes approved 5 to 0.

OLD PENSION BUSINESS:

None

NEW PENSION BUSINESS:

None

Being no other pension board business Randy Patterson closed the meeting at 7:05 PM.

FIRE BOARD MEETING:

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM by President Randy Patterson with board members Dave Larsen and Tim Bevan in attendance. A Quorum was established. Others present were Chief Dave Gitchell, Assistant Chief Murray Theissen, John Sigle and Administrative Assistant Linda Weber. Randy Zellner was absent with an excused absence.

Minutes for March 2020 were read. **MOTION** by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Patterson to accept the March 2020 minutes. Motion carried 3 to 0.

MOTION by Tim Bevan and seconded by Randy Patterson to nominate and accept John Sigle to fill the vacant board position of Ron Raschke. John Sigle accepted the position. Motion carried 3 to 0.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Linda Weber gave the treasurers report. She went over the expenses for the last two months.

MOTION by Tim Bevan and seconded by Dave Larsen to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried 4 + 0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tim Bevan reported on the 5-14-2020 meeting between this department and representatives from the City of Grand Junction Fire Department. The meeting went well and, in the end, progress was made with Chief Watkins planning on talking with the Grand Junction City Manager.

Chief Watkins asked for a formal letter from Central Orchard Mesa Fire requesting response coverage for the District. Linda Weber prepared a formal letter; the board approved the letter and Randy Patterson signed the letter on behalf of the District. It was suggested that Tim Bevan, Chief Gitchell and Linda Weber continue with talks and negotiations with the City of Grand Junction.

Linda Weber will send the signed letter on June 5th.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION by Tim Bevan and Seconded by Randy Patterson to retain all current officer positions on the board. Motion carried 4+0.

Randy Patterson – Chairman of the Board
Tim Bevan – Vice Chairman of the Board
Dave Larsen – Treasurer of the Board
Randy Zellner – Secretary of the Board

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Calls: 69 calls for the year. 17% down as of May.

County Chiefs: Meeting mostly by remote phone calls. Finally, did meet in person this last Thursday.

Vehicles: Will be licensing the ambulances this Monday. Will be licensing both of them. The ASA assigned by Mesa County will need to be changed if the proposal with Grand Junction Fire goes through. The Mesa County Commissioners will need to approve.

Needed to replace the batteries in Ambulance 51.

Recruitment and Retention: One new probationary member – Mike McGuire's daughter. There are two other applications and another that called today but will hold off on interviews until the decision with Grand Junction Fire is complete.

OTHER COMMENT:

Dave Larsen said we should do something special for all the members if the volunteers are no longer responding. It was discussed to have a BBQ and awards for service, wife/spouse appreciation also. Linda Weber will work on this.

AJDOURMENT:

Randy Patterson adjourned the meeting at 7:42 PM.
Next meeting scheduled for July 2, 2020

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Weber: Administrative Assistant

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Attest: