

**MESA COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

August 23, 2022

At 7:04 PM Chairman Wayne DeGesualdo called the meeting to order. Wayne DeGesualdo, Chuck Nelson, Eric Brown, and Randy Zellner were all in attendance. Darrell Charlesworth was absent.

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. Eric Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Meeting: Eric Brown, Wayne DeGesualdo and Chief Cox all attended a meeting with the County Commissioners on August 15, 2022. The Commissioners like the idea of building a manned station and are interested in providing land and possibility combining the community center with it. They want a lot more information. Chief Cox is to start figuring out what the station needs, how big, what it looks like and possible draw up some outline of what it looks like. He is also to get with Grand Junction or De Beque and see if he can get the plans for one of the new stations, such as Grand Junction's station seven, where the structure will meet the needs of Mesa County Fire Authority along with the cost to build it. They want to know the cost, design, where the funds for the station are coming from before they get involved. Wayne asked Chief Cox to get moving on a list of things we need and a drawing of what we want.

SOP Meeting: Wayne DeGesualdo advised that Shawn, Cory, Chevelle, Ashley, himself and Stacy all met on Sunday, August 14, 2022. Completed the first two sections and have another meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 25 to work on it further. We are already 13% complete after just one meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Session: The Board asked Chief Cox, if he would like to go into Executive Session in reference to EMS Report. Chief Cox advised he would like to go into Executive session. Chuck Nelson made a motion to go into Executive Session in reference to Chief Cox and the EMS Report according to statute 24-6-402(4)(f) at 7:41pm. Randy Zellner seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed, motion carried. The board and Chief Cox entered Executive session at 7:41PM. The board and Chief Cox returned from Executive Session at 8:20PM.

Treasurers Report

Chuck Nelson presented the treasurers report. 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. Chuck said that he does not see a reason that we will need to do an amended budget this year. If the Ambulance, (we are getting on the grant), comes through this year by some chance then we will need to do an amended budget for our portion of the Ambulance.

Finished transferring the two buildings, Central Orchard Mesa Fire and Lands End Fire building, to Mesa County Fire Authority with Quitclaim Deeds and we need to change the insurance over to the new insurance company.

Eric Brown 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 not on protocol

Vehicles: No issues- all in service

Grants:

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

FFSD 2022 Grant- Linda wrote the grant for new bunker gear. Paid Linda for writing grant.

Trainings: EMS hands on scenarios, SCBAs and Extraction Equipment, EMS hands on scenarios, Tonight's Cancelled (Lt. Earley had no one to watch the kids)

Station Clean up on 8/14- hauled off one trailer full of trash, and ready for paint

Lands End Hill Climb- was a success with seven members

Calls-

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Assigned and Mutual Aid 4 ALS mutual aids received, one EMS canceled in route

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Area/District

Calls are sorted by zip code

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Time of Day & Arrival

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Group by Type of Calls

- Broke this one down so it be easier to see time of day- staffed verses not staffed

Other matters Before the Board:

Stacy advised we need a budget committee that can meet before next board meeting to create a preliminary budget. After some discussion of the budget committee and the duties and requirements, Eric Brown made a motion for Chuck Nelson and Randy Zellner be on the budget committee to meet with Chief Cox and Stacy. Wayne DeGesualdo seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried. Meeting for budget committee was set for September 21, 2022 at 6:30pm at Station 53.

Public Comment:

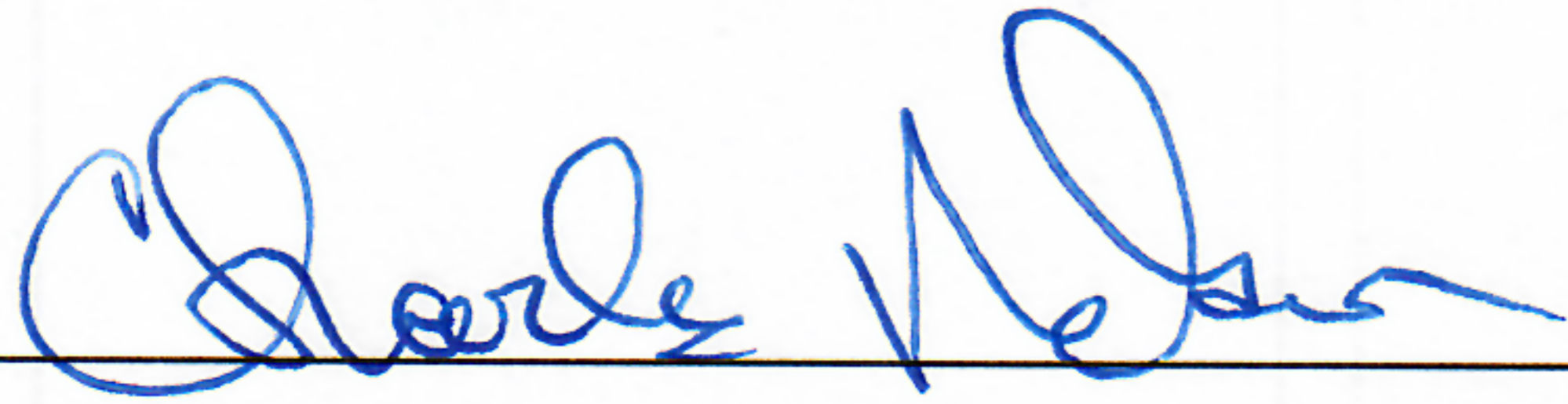
Rich Phillips said the public is happy with the board and staff and the way things are going.

Adjournment of meeting

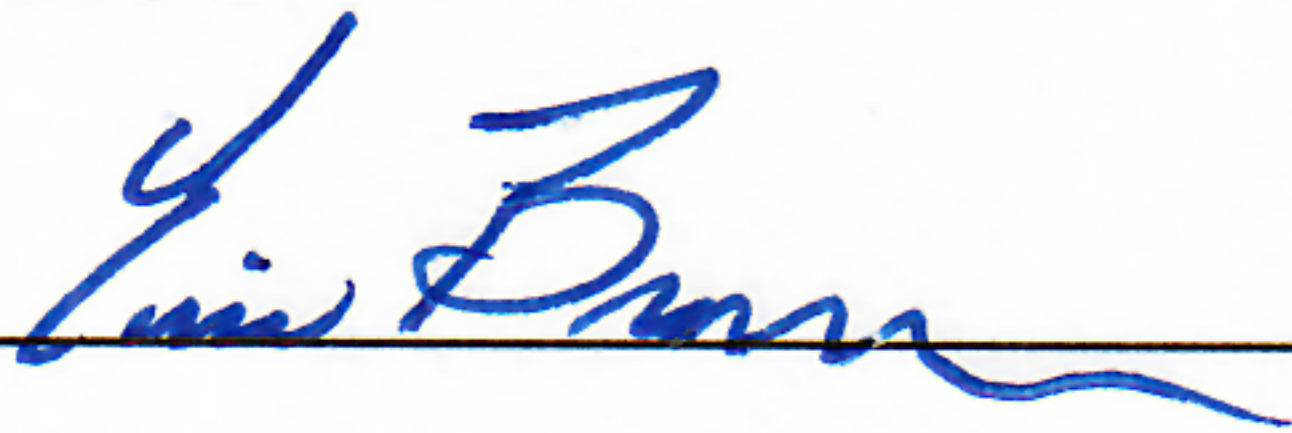
Randy Zellner made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Chuck Nelson seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:09PM.

Next Board Meeting is September 27, 2022.

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



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