

**MESA COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

September 27, 2022

At 7:34 PM Eric Brown called the meeting to order. Chuck Nelson, Eric Brown, Darrell Charlesworth, and Randy Zellner were all in attendance. Wayne DeGesualdo was absent with an excused absence.

Eric Brown opened with a prayer.

Approval of the Minutes

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

OLD BUSINESS

Signs: Chief Shawn Cox presented the board with a new proposal that had more detail on the quote from E & L Signs for updating the lettering on all the vehicles. Randy Zellner made a motion to accept the proposal and move forward with the lettering on the vehicles. Chuck Nelson seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion carried. Shawn represented the quote from Platinum Signs and Fast Signs for the building signs after some discussion it was asked of Shawn to reach out to Angel Signs and Clemmer Welding and anyone else for other quotes but to see if we can get it done before the end of this budget year. There was discussion of having lighted signs on the stations and it was suggested that if we light them we have the lights shine on them from the front and not back light so it would not disturb the neighbors as much. It was also suggested that they are not lighted at this time so people do not show up expecting help in the middle of the night and find no one here, but maybe have it so they have the ability to be lite in the future. It was also discussed that MCFA needs to be spelled out as others will not know what MCFA stands for. It was suggested that if the buildings quotes come in at \$7000 or less that Shawn could move forward with building signs with 50% down before the next meeting.

SOP Meeting: Shawn and Assistant Chief Chevelle Fronzcek reported they are about 20% of way finished with new SOPs and are hoping to have them completed by the end of year. Need to schedule a new SOP meeting with Wayne DeGesualdo.

NEW BUSINESS

Treasurers Report

Chuck Nelson presented the treasurers report. Chuck said Shawn and the department are doing great on keeping costs down. Chuck said that there will not be a need do an amended budget this year. Explained because we are doing so well with this year's budget he would like to make sure we get some of the big expenses taken care of such as signs on vehicles and buildings along with stocking up on medical supplies that we use a lot of or things we know will expire in the first quarter of 2023. 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.

Reallocation of Funds

Chuck Nelson presented a request to reallocate funds to make the line items more in balance but not amend the budget as no increase in the spending. Chuck asked that fund from 102, 215, 301, 305, 306,307,401, and 408 be moved to 208, 211, 308, 501, 603, 701, and 806. This will put all line items under 100% on the actual budget. Randy Zellner made a motion to reallocate funds as presented. Darrell Charlesworth seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion Carried.

Presentation of 2023 Preliminary Budget

Chuck Nelson presented the preliminary budget for 2023. Income does include 75% of tax revenue from Central Orchard Mesa and Lands End Fire Protection Fire Protection District per our contract. Fund Raising, Contract Service, Grants and Ambulance Services make up the rest of the income. Chuck reviewed every line item on the budget for expenses. Randy Zellner made a motion to approve the 2023 Preliminary Budget as presented. Darrell Charlesworth seconded the motion. All were in favor, no opposed. Motion Carried.

Chiefs Report

Personal- One new member- one not on protocol

Vehicles: all in service – had to replace batteries in Brush 51

Grants:

FEMA AFG (COM and LEFPD) COM was awarded the tender LEFPD is wait and see.

FFSD 2022 Grant- Linda wrote the grant for new bunker gear. Was awarded to us and members have been measured for new gear.

VFA Grant Opens October 1st – 50% match up to \$10,000 match

Trainings: EMS report writing (BBQ), One Canceled, Bunker Gear, EMS tonight
Went to COTC, Leadership in Supervisor and SDA Conference

Clean Station 51: Several work days, Floor installed, Interior mostly painted, Lower Cabinets installed, working on baseboards and Counter top. (Have COM Board Meeting 10/5 invited come if interested)

Calls-

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Calls are sorted by zip code

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Group by Type of Calls

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

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Time of Day & Arrival

Other matters Before the Board:

Stacy Cox asked that the board join her for a study meeting on FAMILI so they can make an informed decision on it. A study meeting is set for October 12th at 7pm a notice will be posted on our web site and at the post office along with our budget.

Public Comment:

Rich Phillips said the public is happy. Rick Weber said that the water tanks have some larger damage then they realized in the bottom of them. Will have to cut a hole in the top and look at it to tell us now much to fix it. Rick said, still not sure if they are going to donate the tanks to us or if we will have to pay something for them, but should know more once get an estimate on how much to repair the tanks. JCP did say that they are starting to get sun damaged sitting out but does not think that sitting out this winter will cause more harm but could look at tarping for putting on a finish coat to protect them if we are going to move forward with them. These are things to look at once we have more information but having two 22,000 gallon tanks in district for water would be a huge benefit to our district. Rick also said that Mike at Ready Mix has tanks from concrete mixers that he might give to us or he will take them to the recycle center so we need to let him know as soon as we can if the 22,000 tanks don't work out as he is not going to sit on them forever.

Linda Weber said she read up on the FAMILI Act and she would recommend the Authority Opt out. She also thanked Chevelle for helping with stats for the last grant she did a great job.

Adjournment of meeting

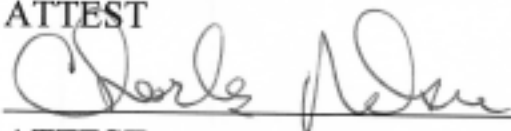
Randy Zellner made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Chuck Nelson seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:06PM.

Next Board Meeting is October 25, 2022.

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



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