

CRESTED BUTTE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Mt. Crested Butte Fire Station #2
Tuesday, March 9, 2021
Approved: April 13, 2021

Attendance

Board Members Present: Tina Kempin, Chris McCann, Eric Tunkey, Ken Lodovico

Board Members Excused: Jack Dietrich

Guests: Sean Walsh & Todd Vitale – Sean Walsh Consulting; Todd Goulding – Goulding Development Advisors

Regular Meeting called to order by Vice Chairman McCann at 5:01 PM.

Changes to Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of minutes February 9, 2021 regular meeting
2. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Lodovico, seconded by Tunkey. Motion passes unanimously.

Election Consulting Proposal & Discussion

Sean Walsh and Todd Vitale with Sean Walsh Consulting joined the board meeting via zoom at 5:01 PM. Walsh presented a high level plan for polling prior to the CBFPD bond election in November 2021. The scope of work includes two polling surveys, setting up small committees for messaging with special interest groups, help with town hall meetings, and creating a deliverable plan that will provide a direction of priorities and messaging that captures voter opinion on the bond issue. The team hopes to have a clear message for the board, election committee and staff in July or early August. The board decided to table further conversation about hiring an election consultant until the end of the meeting.

EMS & Fire Chief Report

Chief Weisbaum recognized Mark Voegeli for 19 years of active volunteer service and let the board know that Voegeli has transitioned to part-time employee status. Mike Reily was sworn in as the new Volunteer Assistant Chief. Congratulations Michael Reily! Weisbaum conducted the badging of Paramedic/Firefighter Dustin Morgan and swore in EMT/Firefighter Jeremy McDonnell.

In his operations and staffing report, Weisbaum reported that he needs to identify how the volunteer program is working as overall attendance to all-calls and trainings has been poor. Weisbaum, Jarolimek, Reily, Caffrey, Duke and the captains will be conducting a work session to identify how to best support a volunteer program that will succeed. Kempin responds that she would like to see the volunteer program continue and encourages finding a way to fix the program not jettison it. Caffrey responds that the intention is to get the volunteer program working and requests time to do so. In grant news the CARES Grant will provide new AED's for the Town of Crested Butte Marshal's Department and the SAFER Grant will provide salary support for 3 employees for three years, Weisbaum is hoping to fill the role of additional Paramedic/Firefighters with this grant.

Old Business

Todd Goulding joined meeting at 6:15 pm via Zoom. Caffrey presented the board with 3 site plans that B&G have developed. The merits and challenges of each plan were discussed and with input from the Town of Crested Butte

planner, Troy Russ, CBFPD staff and architects will be working to identify a site plan that addresses pedestrian traffic from employee housing into town, vehicle traffic and maneuvering for SAR and CBFPD apparatus, location of the training facility and helicopter pad, and sensitivity to the T6 parcel. Goulding reported to the board that upon approval of the site plan and floor plan of the facilities a contractor will be hired and a budget can be developed to dictate the bond ask in the November election.

Caffrey reports that the Strategic Plan has reached a point where it is appropriate to conduct a ½ day to full day work session for the SWOT exercise and to further develop the final plan. The board requests looking at available dates in the second or third week of June.

New Business & Chief Executive Officer Report

CEO Caffrey presented the board with the Valley Housing Fund Parcel-Redden Parcel which the CBFPD was invited to participate. The board determined that at this point they would like to decline participation and focus on the employee housing proposed at the new station.

Caffrey reports that he and the fire prevention team have begun conversations with developers of North Village mostly involving access and wildland urban interface. The current plan has about 900 units at build out and will effectively double the size of Mt. Crested Butte. Caffrey asks if the board would like to identify a site within the plat for an additional fire station to service the northern end of the district. Considerable board discussion ensued ultimately determining the board would like to request a placeholder for an additional fire station.

Finally, Caffrey presented the board with a Development Agreement Update for 11 Paradise Road. Kempin announces a conflict of interest due to her affiliation with the lending bank. McCann and Kempin explained that an original development agreement was attached to the title and became a deed restriction. The district's attorney, John Chmil, and Caffrey's attorney, Aaron Huckstep, have developed an amendment to original development agreement that protects the district in the event of a foreclosure and allows the Caffrey's to finance the property.

Motion to approve the First Amendment to the Development Agreement by McCann, seconded by Lodovico, Kempin abstains. Motion passes with 3 yes votes.

Unscheduled Business and Public Comments

The board revisited contracting election consultants for the November bond election. The board requested Caffrey ask the consultants for additional information around the opinion research process, deliverables, key steps and timelines. Additionally, Caffrey will also follow up on the consultant's references. This items is continued until the April meeting.

No comments from the public.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:18 at by Lodovico, seconded by Tunkey. Motion passes unanimously.