## INDIAN HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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# **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 22, 2020

The Minutes are intended to reflect the discussions that occurred and decisions that were made by the members; they are not intended to be a transcription of the meeting.

#### **ATTENDEES:**

Fire Protection District Board Members: Scott Kellar - President, Marc Rosenberg - Treasurer, Chris

Vigil - Secretary, Kelley Lehman, Scott Ryplewski

Fire Department Members: Mark Forgy — Chief

Non-Members: Angel Dee Manning— Recording Secretary, Anita Fritz - Bookkeeper Community Members: Debra Swearington – Canyon Courier (via tele-conference)

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 19:06**

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Kellar at 19:06 hours.

## **INTRODUCTIONS:**

Mr. Kellar welcomed everyone and introduced all participants who were dialed in.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Mr. Kellar called for any additions or suggested changes and Fee Schedule and Building Siding was added to the Agenda.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no public comments.

#### **PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

Marc Rosenberg made a motion to waive the reading of the June 24, 2020 Meeting Minutes, which was seconded by Kelley Lehman and passed unanimously.

Director Rosenberg made a *motion* to accept the June 24, 2020 Meeting Minutes as written. Kelley Lehman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

#### Monthly Financial Reports

Treasurer Marc Rosenberg reviewed the financials with the Board.

After reviewing the financials for period ending June 30, Director Rosenberg made a motion to approve June checks #13916-13933 plus automated payments, credit card expenses, bank fees with board recommended changes. Secretary Chris Vigil seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### **DEPARTMENT/OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

### District Updates

Chris Vigil asked about the Fire Marshal report for last month.

## Chief's Report

## Chief — Mark Forgy

Chief Forgy started his report with updates from the Fourth of July parade. He then reviewed three bids for siding for the firehouse with the board. The board suggested getting more bid estimates with possibly less expensive siding material and it was decided to put a request for bids in the newspaper. He also reviewed with the board the parking lot and helipad resealing estimates and after brief discussion, it was decided to consider gravel or road base on the west side of the building rather than paving for now. Chief Forgy talked about the return of the new ambulance and scheduling the ambulance inspection. He then mentioned ordering gear for two volunteers in Evergreen Fire Academy and pointed out that even though we would be going over the PPE budget, the savings in the fire training budget should offset the costs as Evergreen offered the Academy for free. Chief Forgy reported that EMR training is complete and everyone passed their state final practical. He mentioned that during the gap of transition to First Due Sizeup, there would be no text pages, so the district has 15 pagers from Elk Creek for use. Chief Forgy then discussed the integration meeting regarding the joint training chief. After discussion, Director Ryplewski requested more information regarding the integration details versus the job position, i.e., what is offered and what is covered. Chief Forgy then reviewed 13 June calls: 1 motor vehicle fire, 5 medicals, 1 MVA, 1 grass fire, 1 lift assist, and 4 smoke scare, odor of smoke. He stated 16 calls so far for July and year-to-date 92 calls.

Officers' Reports
Assistant Chief — Marc Rosenberg

Fire Captain — Mike Fassula Not present.

EMS Captain — Bob Fager Not present.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

## COVID Disaster Emergency Declaration

President Kellar stated that the Emergency Declaration is still in effect until the board decides to lift it. Mr. Kellar advised that action is needed to lift the declaration. It was decided to leave the declaration in place for another 30 days and revisit at next month's board meeting.

## Wildfire Mitigation Messaging

Discussion ensued regarding wildfire mitigation messaging with social distancing and possibly setting up a web-ex/skype public forum wildland fire presentation.

#### Water Storage Initiative

Chief Forgy reported on the limited storage capacity with the required storage of 240,000 gallons. It was discussed possibly getting a cistern in upper parts of district, raw water and the use of wells for firefighting/storage of water for fire.

## State Cotonavirus Relief Fund Grant Application

President Kellar updated the board with details regarding the State Coronavirus Relief Fund Grant Application for which the district requested \$37,500. It was discussed that the district will more than likely not use such a great amount, but better to be safe than sorry with the availability of funds and the uncertainties of the near future.

### Medicate/Medicaid Reimbursements

The board reviewed the Medicare and Medicaid Reimbursements and percentages of amounts collected and uncollected.

## ADJOURNED: 20:50

Director Marc Rosenberg made the *motion* to adjourn the July board meeting and Secretary Chris Vigil seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, and the Board meeting adjourned at 20:50.

President:

Secretary:

## **MOTIONS MADE AND PASSED:**

- To waive the reading of the June 2020 Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Kelley Lehman; unanimous.
- To accept the June 2020 Minutes as presented. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Kelley Lehman; unanimous.
- To approve financials. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Chris Vigil; unanimous.
- To adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Marc Rosenberg; seconded by Chris Vigil; unanimous.