



Jackson 105 Fire Protection District

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

October 11, 2022

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Jackson 105 Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at Fire Station 142, 435 N. Perry Park Rd., Sedalia, CO 80135.

DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE:

- Tom Smith, Jairo Ramirez, Eddie Rapp, Bruce Hills

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

- Dan Danser

ALSO PRESENT:

- Jarrod Lamb, Cheryl Fosdick, Bruce Fosdick, Ben Ohlin, Tad Keegan, Ryan Smedra, Jeff Brink

CALL TO ORDER:

- The meeting was called to order by President Tom Smith at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- The minutes of the previous meeting (September 13th) were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Tad Keegan requested updates on the following:
- Staffing the station.
 - Chief Lamb stated we are doing well with staffing.
 - We have hired some additional staff which helps
 - Volunteers
- Wildland Fire Truck Opportunity
 - Update – Ben Ohlin has done a lot of work on researching the option of purchasing a truck for Wildland Fires.
 - Concern was raised by Tad Keegan about this being a very large project and there is capital required to purchase the truck.
 - Ben Ohlin provided the materials to Tad Keegan on the trucks that have been evaluated and looked at thus far. No formal decisions have been made.
 - Discussion took place with Ben providing specific and background

- Community Events
 - Open Houses – we have not done any recently because of COVID.
 - Grants – we have received grants in the past – helped pay for one of the engines.
 - Mitigation – we will go out to properties and provide mitigation advice.
- Master Plan for Jackson-105
 - Jarrod stated he looked through the archives and was unable to locate any master plan for Jackson-105.
- Thoughts or Discussions with Other Departments
 - Per Jarrod Lamb – no discussion in recent years on this topic
 - Tom Smith – mentioned in the past there was a discussion on having some potential consolidation/mergers and it did not work out due to departments already having full-time Chiefs who ultimately did not want to proceed with this.
- Jackson-105 is Unique
 - We are in a tough position because the coverage area is relatively small and rural.
 - The mill levy is low at 12.11 compared to Larkspur who has a mill levy of 22.
 - Trying to get a ballot measure to increase the mill levy would be tough.
 - Puts the department in a difficult situation.
- Other Comments:
 - Ryan Smedra mentioned that if we were to implement a Wildfire Program with a truck, which would likely result in potentially getting some additional volunteers along with great experience.
 - Tad Keegan mentioned that at one time there were discussions with Larkspur about having them take over the administrative work for Jackson-105. Maybe that would be worth reviewing again if that is a feasible option.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS:

- Thumper has arrived
 - This is basically a CPR machine that helps to free up the team to deal with other tasks such as opening an airway or providing medications.
- Staffing
 - All but 3 days have two individuals. Those three days have one staff member.
 - The staff going off shift calls dispatch and alerts them that we are at staffing level 1. This alerts the other districts of our situation.
- Chief Job Description
 - Jarrod will provide to the Board members for review.
- 2023 Budget
 - Jarrod has started working on the 2023 budget
 - Will be very similar to the 2022 budget
- 2022 Audit
 - Bruce Fosdick has the audit letter – we received a clean audit.

- Copies of the audit letter were provided to the Board members.
- We will likely be required to have an audit every year because we exceed the \$750,000 threshold for requiring an audit.
- CPA Support
 - Cheryl Fosdick will stay on through 2023
- Web Site
 - Jarrod – is working to create the layout and the ability to post documents that become available online.
- Calls:
 - We are at 149 calls YTD.
- Consideration for Purchasing a Type 3 Fire Truck for Wildfire Deployments – Continued Topic. Ben Ohlin presented the latest information.
 - Most Recent Engine Evaluated:
 - A summary from our mechanic – Jarrett Hill – that the truck is in very good condition.
 - Some additional work that is required to the truck will be done and certified prior to the purchase.
 - The intent is to staff the Wildfire truck with a separate team that does not affect the regular staffing at Jackson-105.
 - We already have several individuals that have expressed interest in being part of the team.
 - Purchase of the engine is \$149,500
 - Storage for the Truck:
 - Larkspur sold a tinder truck and that created an indoor bay space.
 - The Chief has stated that we would be able to use the bay to store the truck.
 - Potential Revenue
 - Bruce Fosdick provided a summary of the last 5 fires where we supported.
 - In summary:
 - All the overhead and expenses are accounted for.
 - The net additional revenue to the District is approximately 14%.
 - There will also be additional significant profit to Jackson-105 for the truck fee.
 - ROI
 - The engine would be paid for in approximately 5-6 fires so anywhere from 1-2 years. It could take up to three years.
 - Future options
 - If we decide in the future to no longer be in the Wildfire Deployment business, we can sell the engine and likely recoup a significant portion of our investment.
 - Decision:

- The Board approved the purchase of the truck.

FINANCE:

- Chery Fosdick led the Financial Discussion:
 - Revenue:
 - From Taxes in July was \$8,349.90
 - Colotrust interest was \$1,171.63
 - Derek Sams – Moose fire reimbursement was \$19,536.72
 - Budget is tracking as expected.
 - The big expense this month is the purchase of the wildfire truck \$149,500.
 - Other expenses \$58,428.05
 - Receipts/Balances:
 - Balance on checking account is \$201,860.43
 - We also have \$723,104.27 in the Colotrust.
 - Total balance: \$924,964.70
- Checks for the monthly expenses were signed by Bruce Hills and Eddie Rapp

ADJOURNMENT:

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm

Minutes submitted by Jairo Ramirez