

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Sunshine Fire Protection District
March 14th, 2017**

Call to Order

- The meeting was held at Fire Station #1, 311 County Rd 83, Boulder, CO 80302.
- The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM and quorum was established.

Attendance

Board Members Present: Deirdre Damron, Gene Fischer, Alan Kirton, Jim Peacock

Board Members Absent: Sam Mishkin

Others Present: Deputy Chief Henry Ballard, Dick Smith, Matthias Pfeiffer

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from the February Board meeting were reviewed.
- **Motion:** To approve Board Minutes. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's Report was reviewed
- **Motion:** To approve Treasurer's Report. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Fire Chief's Report

- Deputy Chief Henry Ballard covered the Fire Chief's report and list of calls. Both documents are attached to the minutes.
- Discussed Chief Schmitt's Fire Chief's report which included a discussion about a possible acquisition of a Type 6 chassis from the city of Boulder.
- **Motion:** To allow Chief Schmitt to move forward with the investigation of purchasing the Type 6 chassis from the city of Boulder.

Other Business:

- Dick Smith and Matthias Pfeiffer discussed the State Land Board's decision to sell three parcels of land that include the Bald Mtn. Open Space, the meadow across Sunshine Canyon Dr. from Bald Mtn. and a 100+ acre parcel which is located further to the north. Boulder County is in discussion with the state to purchase the Bald Mtn. Open Space site and the meadow across from Sunshine Canyon Drive, but have indicated that they are not interested in purchasing the parcel to the north. The State Land Board is in the process of proceeding with the sale of that parcel to a private developer. From discussions with Boulder County, it appears that two and potentially a third residential property could be developed on that parcel of land. Dick Smith, Matthias Pfeiffer and other residents adjacent to that property have concerns about the loss of wildlife habitat and potential water well issues caused by increased usage from the additional residences on that property. They also have concerns about the suitability of the shared driveway supporting two or three residential properties in addition to the six properties that currently share the driveway. Alan Kirton committed to

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talk with SFPD's Fire Marshall Bruce Honeyman about what the emergency access requirements would be for the driveway.

- Gene Fischer and Deirdre Damron attended the Four Mile FPD Board Meeting on February 28th. The purpose was to understand Four Mile FPD's current thinking regarding developing a closer operational relationship between the districts and a possible merger in the future. The Four Mile's Chief Gibson and the Four Mile FPD Board of Directors indicated that they were interested in formalizing the process by which the districts work more closely together on an operational basis.

Adjournment

- With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Attest: 
Alan Kirton, Secretary



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Chief's Report, Board Meeting 03/14/2017

1. What has the board concluded after joining the FMFPD board meeting last month?
2. More bike races are planned in the near future. Sunshine is working with Left Hand and some other districts as well as the county to establish a better procedure for the county on how these races are permitted.
3. 4502 Replacement. We are at the point where it is bad to own the truck, but it is also bad to not have it. We need a replacement. I am trying to get a brush truck from the city that can be sold as just the chassis and not as a firetruck which would make it significantly cheaper. In any case, we need a replacement sooner than later. This would give us a reliable vehicle that we can use for a couple of years, then sell it (as a firetruck) to finance/purchase a permanent replacement. It would give us breathing room and a good option. I will know this week whether we can buy the truck from the city and for how much. I was told that they have sold something very similar for around \$15k before.
We also have a chance to get 4541 replaced sooner than the state's mandated year of 2021 which is when it is our turn to get a new one. I am in talks with the state and they will decide this month how many trucks are built and by June/July will know who will get them. We have made the argument that they need to give our truck to a department in the plains as it is still suitable to be operated there (but neither safe nor efficient for us), and to give us the new engine (2001 or newer) that this plains department would receive otherwise. The state is open to it and has invited me to visit their office and the shop in Fort Collins.
4. We had a significantly higher call load last year and numbers show that this will only increase. It is becoming increasingly important to have a command/EMS equipped and snow capable vehicle such as an SUV. It would be equipped as our medical vehicle and come with several advantages (i.e., cheaper to operate, less training needed to drive it, gets to more places than our engines). I have a good chance to get one donated to us.
5. Gold Hill is starting a pension fund, Four Mile is considering it as well. I would like to know our board's opinion on the matter.
6. We have had several issues in the last year of compromised safety during night time roadside operations, in one case a vehicle ignoring the road stop and going right through the scene (with no additional incident). Other departments have done this, and I would also like to provide our officers with high visibility jackets specific for fire that are also used during EMS calls etc. They cost \$295 each and we have nine people that require them.

Calls:

BCFD170218-001879	2332, 4661, 6531, BR3, SS2	FISMOR-Smoke Report	SUNSHINE U	2/18/2017 16:02
BCFD170220-001939	4602, 4652, A7, AMRC, FM2	EMSR-Medical Call	FOURMILE U	2/20/2017 8:02
BCFD170223-002074	3122, 3151, 3165, 4602, 4661, A11, AMRC, BES2, FM2	UNACCR-Unknown Injury Accident	BOULDER COUNTY	2/23/2017 15:21
BCFD170225-002169	4662, A3, AMRB, FM2	EMSR-Medical Call	FOURMILE U	2/25/2017 11:46
BCFD170226-002216		FIALRSR-Residential Fire Alarm	SUNSHINE U	2/26/2017 22:37
BCFD170302-002332	4661, 4662, A19, AMRB, FM2	EMSR-Medical Call	BOULDER COUNTY	3/2/2017 20:05
BCFD170312-002665	4632, 4661, 4662, FM3	FICAMR-Illeg/Unattend Campfire	FOURMILE U	3/12/2017 19:34
BCFD170217-001821		FISMOR-Smoke Report	BOULDER COUNTY	2/17/2017 14:52
BCFD170223-002091	4561, SS1	FIASSR-Fire Assist	BOULDER COUNTY	2/23/2017 19:53
BCFD170226-002209	2301, 4364, 4366, 4501, A18, AMRB, BM1, BR1, SS1	UNACCR-Unknown Injury Accident	BOULDER COUNTY	2/26/2017 17:37
BCFD170310-002596		FIASSR-Fire Assist	BOULDER COUNTY	3/10/2017 19:56
BCFD170310-002597	2301, 2362, 2651, 2760, 3023, 4501, 4532, 4563, 5462, BM1, BR1, EMSV1, LEU2, SS3	HAMATR-Hazardous Material	BOULDER COUNTY	3/10/2017 19:59