

# CRAIG RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 17, 2021

## **Call the Meeting to Order**

John Forgay called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

## **Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence**

## **Approval of Agenda**

Chris Nichols made a motion to approve the Agenda. Rod Kowach seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

## **Approval of Minutes**

Alan Webber moved to approve the May 20, 2021 minutes as presented. Tony Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (5:0).

## **Approval of Bills**

Kowach moved to approve the bills for June 17, 2021 as presented (Fire Department bills in the amount of \$15,634.07, Haz-Mat bills in the amount of \$0.00 and Pension bills of \$0.00) for a total of \$15,634.07. Webber seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

## **Purchase Orders**

2021-002 – To Power Source Services for tank repair on T1. Nichols made a motion to approve PO 2021-002. Kowach seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

2021-003 – To Balleck Concrete for pump jacking station floor. Nichols made a motion to approve PO 2021-003. Maneotis seconded. Motion Passed. (5:0)

## **Budget Review**

Nichols – From January 1<sup>st</sup> to June 17<sup>th</sup>: Revenue 70.4%, Administrative expenses are at 35.8%, Operations 26.7%, Capital at 69.7%, for a total expenditure at 49.6% at halfway through the year.

## **New Business**

### **URA Discussion**

URA agreement has been signed. Waiting to hear on final from City.

## **Correspondence**

Forgay read a thank you card from Giovany Tarango.

Forgay read a thank you card from Emaleigh Papierski.

## **Reports from the Chief –**

Chief Hume – We had 31 calls in May. 15 EMS, 16 Fire and 0 HazMat. 2021 Rookie class is moving forward, they are engaged and doing a good job. Sidewalk replacement is upcoming. Planning for impacts. Crafting an alternate response plan for 3-4 weeks. Firehouse software that we have used for over 20 years is phasing out our version of software. They are moving to cloud based modules. We will be looking at it for budget season for 2022. PR has included GOWD parade, Community BBQ's & tours. The Fleet is in good shape. E6 is back from recall/warranty work. It was finished yesterday. Tonya and Nick went and picked it up from Columbine Ford. Thank you to them. T1 has scheduled crack repair. Pump testing is completed, annuals will be scheduled for fall. Moffat County went into stage 1 fire restrictions on Wednesday morning, and then had Collum fire Wednesday afternoon. Fireworks, if we can conduct the fireworks show safely, we will have the show. If not, we won't. We will continue to evaluate. Should know by the 28<sup>th</sup>. We have had 2 wildland fires in less than a

week. Hamilton Dome on Sunday had Craig Fire, BLM, S.O. and a 30 person hand crew from South Dakota. Wednesday was another out by Colowyo. 640 acres, Craig Fire, BLM, DFPC, SO all worked on it. Busy afternoon and evening. About 80% contained. Rescue at Tri-State where a person fell several stories. OC Landa was able to notify us and give updates from the scene. Employees and firefighters worked great together for a great outcome. The Luau is being planned, watch for updates. June 26<sup>th</sup> is the service for Karl Huntsman, the family has requested a last ride. July 16<sup>th</sup> is the funeral for Jim Meineke in Grand Junction. The family has requested a fire department presence. Two personnel have been granted leave of absence.

### **Board Member Reports**

Rod Kowach – You guys do an awesome job. Thank you for what you do. Parades, PR, everything. Getting ready for a bad fire season, we're here to help.

Chris Nichols – Budget season is starting. Moving forward, start planning without Unit 1. It is about 17% of our revenue. Start preparing. Appreciate everything. Thank you.

Tony Maneotis — Be safe out there, it's really dry.

Alan Webber — Been busy, there has been a lot going on. It may get busier, be careful.

John Forgay — Ditto, be safe. It's a good job that you do. Wish the whole community knew what you guys do. Hope for the best with wildland season.


### **Audience Comments**

None.

### **Adjournment**

Forgay entertained a motion to adjourn. Webber moved. Kowach seconded. Motion passed. (5:0) Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

  
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President John Forgay

  
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Secretary/Treasurer Chris Nichols