

# CRAIG RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 15, 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**

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

## **Approval of Minutes**

Maneotis moved to approve the June 17, 2021 minutes as presented. Rod Kowach seconded. Motion passed. (5:0).

## **Approval of Bills**

Kowach moved to approve the bills for July 15, 2021 as presented (Fire Department bills in the amount of \$16,197.20, Haz-Mat bills in the amount of \$0.00 and Pension bills of \$0.00) for a total of \$16,197.20. Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

## **Purchase Orders**

None

## **Budget Review**

Nichols – We received our last big check. Revenue 98%, Administrative expenses are at 69.6%, Operations 33.9%, Capital at 71.1%, for a total expenditure at 66%. Upcoming capital purchases include the radio replacement, and clothing.

## **New Business**

None

## **Correspondence**

Forgay read a thank you card from Karl Huntsman's family.

## **Reports from the Chief –**

Chief Hume – We had 43 calls in June. 18 EMS, 25 Fire and 0 HazMat. Also received a thank you from Karl's family, and one from EMS for the BBQ. We had a personnel change; Probationary Rookie Frick stepped away. We are down to one Rookie. She is continuing on. Sidewalk replacement; we hope to gain access back to the parking lot next week. Should have the rest of the access back in another week or two. 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade was a good time had by all. The BBQ was really good. Firefighter Francone smoked the chicken and ribs. BLM sent 1 crew. It was weird not doing fireworks, and having the parade on Monday. The fleet is in relatively good shape. Air conditioning issues on 2&3, parts are here. Annuals are scheduled for this fall. The LCD panel on the ladder has failed, parts are coming. Rescue 2 is out of service with a substantial oil leak. Taking a look at it tomorrow. Engine 2 is having some difficulty with 4WD. Moffat County and BLM entered Stage 2 Fire Restrictions a couple of weeks ago. Tremendous support from the community. Fires so far this year have mostly been lightning or road side. Stage 2 restrictions are expected to remain in effect the remainder of the summer. We have received VHF radios from the BLM, we will need some battery packs for them. We responded to a HazMat call for assistance last Friday on Rabbit Ears. We were up there for a little while. Positive interaction with Steamboat Springs Fire. We also helped MC Road and Bridge identify some barrels of unknown product.

The device to help identify has a screen that has gone out. It is an old unit; we will be looking into replacement options. The Luau is scheduled for August 28<sup>th</sup> at The O.P. Battalion Chief Hampton, Firefighter Krause and myself will be attending Jim Meineke's services in Grand Junction tomorrow representing the fire department. Recognize Firefighter Shelley, who responded from home to a 6-month-old baby that was not breathing in his neighborhood. He was a large part of saving him. Also, would like to recognize Firefighter Scheller for everything he does for the fire department. He has a huge level of dedication. He flipped the station for construction, cleaned bays, fixed electrical issues for trucks. He worked hard. Thank you, Nick.

### **Board Member Reports**

Rod Kowach – What everyone has said. Thank you. Parade was fun, BBQ was good, meat was delicious. Be safe out there. Thanks for the work you do.

Chris Nichols – At the parade in Steamboat, the flags stopped at the reviewing stand and sung the National anthem. It was cool, be prepared for that if it happens in the future in Craig. The city has not paid fireworks yet, they will be paid. There was a save at the city pool. They recognized the lifeguard publicly. We do our recognitions at the banquet, but it could be good for us to do a public recognition. EMS is receiving some pushback from Maybell, they are still progressing and will be on the ballot this fall. They are collecting signatures now. URA is in final stages. Appreciate firefighters taking care of funerals. Be safe, take care.

Tony Maneotis — The guys down here that are caring and do anything should be recognized. Stage 2 fire restrictions, it's crazy how many people don't care. People need to be aware.

Alan Webber — It's interesting that we have not heard anything about Firefighter Shelley in the newspaper, its nice that he was able to do that. Get the tender fixed, hope for a quick turnaround.

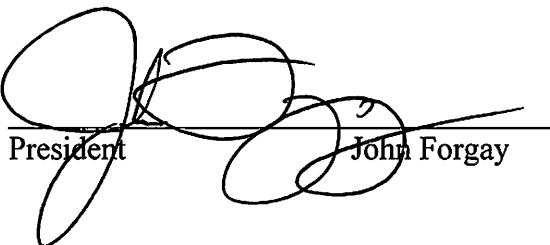
John Forgay — Thank Tonya for her work on the 4<sup>th</sup>, the food was great. Good job Francone. Amazing what you guys do. Thank you.


### **Audience Comments**

None.

### **Adjournment**

Forgay entertained a motion to adjourn. Nichols moved. Webber seconded. Motion passed. (5:0) Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

  
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President                      John Forgay

  
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Secretary/Treasurer                      Chris Nichols