

CRAIG RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 20, 2020

Call the Meeting to Order

John Forgay called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. (Webber absent – excused)

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Approval of Agenda

Rod Kowach made a motion to approve the Agenda. Tony Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Approval of Minutes

Maneotis moved to approve the July 16, 2020 minutes as presented. Kowach seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Approval of Bills

Kowach moved to approve the bills for August 20, 2020 as presented (Fire Department bills in the amount of \$7,362.96, Haz-Mat bills in the amount of \$1,316.84 and Pension bills of \$0.00) for a total of \$8,679.80. Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Purchase Orders

None

Budget Review

Nichols – We have received 97.5% of revenue. Administrative expenses are at 73.4%, Operations 45.5%, Capital at 84.4%, for a total expenditure at 72.4%. Pension has been funded. Several of our bonds are coming due at 5% and 6%. Replacement ones are looking more like 1% and 2%. Just something to be aware of. All is in good shape.

New Business

None

Correspondence

Forgay read a thank you letter from Scott Braucher

Reports from the Chief –

Chief Hume – We had 48 calls in July. 16 EMS, 31 Fire and 1 HazMat. Had a conversation with dispatch regarding delay in being called for HM call. Working on improving that. Happy to report that Brandon Homer returned today to finish the bolt repair from two years ago. It is finally done and repaired. Working on the A/C Compressor that went out. The bypass is still working, they are trying to find a compressor. PR is picking up. We have had station tours, duck races, and watered the arena for the fair. Rookie academy is moving along. Fire 1 practicals were Friday night, then they were back on Saturday for state live burn practicals. The head of training

for the Division of Fire Prevention and Control and regional representatives attended and a proctor came up from Meeker. Everyone passed. For the upcoming 2021 Budget, there are a couple of things. The County Assessors have an additional timeline for assessment. We hope to see numbers soon, but there will be some delay. The SCBA workgroup saw MSA and Scott, both have improved product lines. MSA came to the live burn and provided packs to demo. MSA is putting together a proposal. The State 800 Mhz radio network is turning off some obsolete devices. Replacement of handhelds has benefitted us, but the truck radios have to be replaced. There is a total of 11 radios for the trucks. We will be looking at three manufacturers, BK, Motorola and Kenwood and come back with a proposal. The radio in the command vehicle is shorting out. Trying to ride it out as long as we can. The bolts are all fixed in L1. It is 12 years old, and still has the original tires. The drive tires are chunking off tread. We had them rotated, inspected and reinstalled. They are past the DOT spec in age. We will need to replace all of the tires on the truck. Approximately \$8,000 to put new tires on L1. We received a bid from Russ Hill Construction on the door at the bays. To install a 5' cover over the door and the gas meter the quote came in at \$11,450. This was a starting point, and we are getting more quotes. Moffat County stage 2 fire restrictions started today. Division of Fire Prevention and Control has 2 task forces in our region for pre-positioning, and to get ahead of fires in the next few weeks. We had a great training with Classic Air, they brought their new rotor and dinner. It is great that they are here. Saturday the fire department will be at MRH's old campus for training. They will be working on forcible entry, wall breaches, SAR, etc. This is a great opportunity for valuable training. Thank you to Rod and the Board for the masks for the firefighters. We received an unemployment claim for an employee terminated in absentia for \$63. This firefighter still has some department issued gear, like a charger and uniforms. We have reached out to legal counsel today for the return of property.

Board Member Reports

Rod Kowach – Listening to pages, you guys have been busy. Thank you for the work that you have been doing. Be safe out there. Thank you, Tonya, for all you do.

Chris Nichols – Participated in Zoom meetings on the future of EMS and the feasibility of an EMS district. They have received 2 proposals. Amy Peck has worked with Maybell, and they are interested. Part of the education, polling, and the P.R. side start in January. It is expected to be a 14-month process. There are many steps and hurdles. Would not recommend funding any additional. YVRA will have a full-scale drill next Friday. Budget requests; fireworks and HM are on next Friday's budget talks at the City. Be safe, be careful.

Tony Maneotis — Tonya, thanks for everything. Be safe, hopefully no big fires. Glad to hear that the State is impressed with our facilities.

Alan Webber —

John Forgay — Everything has been said. There is a lot of pride in what you do. Hope for the best. Thank you very much

Audience Comments

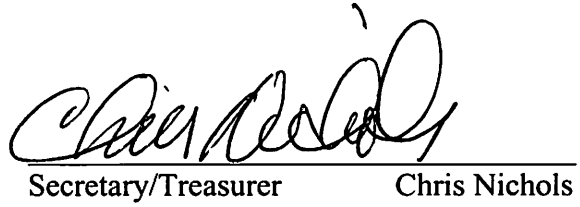
Doug Slaight – It's good to be back.

Adjournment

Forgay entertained a motion to adjourn. Nichols moved. Kowach seconded. Motion passed.
(4:0) Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.



President John Forgay



Secretary/Treasurer Chris Nichols