MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CASCADE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT HELD MARCH 13, 2023, AT 7:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Cascade Fire Protection District was held on Monday, March 13, 2023, at 7:00 PM, at Cascade Fire Station, 8015 Severy Road, Cascade, CO, and via video teleconference. The meeting was open to the public.

Directors in Attendance:

Mike Whittemore Quentin Deramus Steve Lewis Farris Issacson Bruce Seachris

Also in Attendance:

Adam Noel, WSDM District Managers
Chief Karen Bodine, Cascade Volunteer Fire Department
Tane Brown, Pension Board
Erik Eide, Cascade Volunteer Fire Department
Mike Whooper, Cascade Volunteer Fire Department

- 1. Call to Order: President Whittemore called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.
- **2. Declaration of Quorum/Director Qualifications/Reaffirmation of Disclosures:** President Whittemore confirmed a quorum was present.
- **3. Approval of Agenda:** President Whittemore requested the Call Response Discussion be moved up after the Approval of Agenda. Director Seachris moved to approve the Agenda as amended; seconded by Director Deramus. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Call Response Discussion: Chief Bodine introduced the firefighters that were in attendance. President Whittemore explained the Board has a fiduciary responsibility to the taxpayers and they must provide a solution for the fire and emergency services in the District. The Board has been considering other options such as coordinating with Green Mountain Falls Fire Protection District and funding a firefighter. A proposal was drafted, but a few months ago Green Mountain Falls FPD got a whole new Board, and they have some concerns about the proposal. Mr. Noel noted the new Board is open to the discussion and they understand the need. The Board discussed potential solutions for call response with the members of the Cascade Volunteer Fire Department.

5. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – from the meeting on February 13, 2023: After review, Director Issacson moved to approve the February 13, 2023 Meeting Minutes with the correction in item 7 to, "yearly increase to get up to the \$25,000;" seconded by Director Seachris. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Financial Matters

- a. Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of February 28, 2023 Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss/Budget Report: Mr. Noel presented the Unaudited Financial Statements as of February 28, 2023. After review, Director Deramus moved to accept the Unaudited Financial Statements as presented; seconded by Director Seachris. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Ratification and Approval of Payables for the period ending March 13, 2023: Mr. Noel presented the Payables for the period ending March 13, 2023. After review, Director Seachris moved to ratify and approve the Payables for period ending March 13, 2023; seconded by Director Deramus. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Cascade Volunteer Fire Department Chief's Report: Chief Karen Bodine presented the Chief's Report. She noted pest control is needed at the fire station and she will provide quotes to the Board. The Board and Chief Bodine discussed the sale of the trailer. The Board and Chief Bodine discussed the proposed agreement for call response with Colorado Springs Fire Department. Colorado Springs Fire Department proposed \$10,000 for coverage for 2023 and the District would like an increase option to \$25,000. The Board discussed capabilities and responding to calls if possible.

8. Old Business

- a. SAFER Grant: Mr. Noel reported the SAFER Grant may not be available for the District this year due to red tape and submission issues but he will submit what he can by the deadline next week. Mr. Noel noted he will be taking grant writing workshops this year which could help with grant submissions in the future for both Cascade FPD and Green Mountain Falls FPD. The Board discussed the benefits of coordinating with Green Mountain Falls FPD and establishing a potential fire authority.
- **9. New Business:** There was no new business.
- **10. Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

11. Other Business

- a. Next Meeting Scheduled for April 10, 2023, at 7:00 PM.
- **12. Adjournment:** Director Lewis moved to adjourn at 8:50 PM; seconded by Director Deramus. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,	John John
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Secretary for the Meeting

THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS THE OFFICIAL MARCH 13, 2023, MINUTES OF THE CASCADE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SIGNING BELOW:

Mike Whittemore

Quentin Deramus

Steve Lewis

Farris Issacson

Bruce Seachris