

LA VETA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

La Veta Fire Station
100 Birch St
La Veta, Colorado
MINUTES

April 8, 2021 @ 18:00

Present: Directors Heikes, Nielsen, Chimenti, Mower, and Walker were in attendance.
Staff: Fire Chief Ron Jameson and EMS Director/District Administrator Eddie Ray.
Public: Justin & Laura Jameson

Call to Order – Pledge - Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 18:01, the Pledge of Allegiance was given, roll call was taken.

Approval of Agenda

* **MSA:** The April 8th, 2021 Agenda was approved.

Minutes

* **MSA:** Minutes of the March 11th, 2021 regular meeting were approved as presented.

Public Forum

There was no public present.

Guests, Correspondence, and Presenters

La Veta Fire Protection District Auxiliary addressed the Board regarding the startup of the Auxiliary. They presented their plans for hosting fundraising activities for the district. They are holding a pancake breakfast at station 1 on May 29th, they would like to participate in the 4th of July parade, and another event at the end of June. They requested of the Board of Directors to receive some finances from the Board to help get things up and running. * **MSA:** The Board agreed to provide \$1,600.00 to help them get started.

The La Veta Fire Protection District received a letter from a community member regarding the condition of the road to access the repeater which involves her property. The community member was asking the La Veta Fire Protection District Board of Directors to submit a letter to the County Commissioners for help in getting the road maintained.

Treasurer's Report

- * **MSA:** The Board approved the treasures report for March 2021.

Fire Chief Report

1. We had 0 calls for the month of March.
2. We held a wildland refresher course that was well attended for our monthly training.
3. Chief Jameson talked to Mr. Jim Hubler regarding the use of the generator to power the La Veta station in the event of a power outage. Director Mower stated that he would communicate with Adams Electric (Chris Frasier) regarding the price for getting the generator hooked up to the building and making it an automatic switch over.
4. Chief Jameson stated that the parking lot at station 2 needs to be worked on as well as the apron on the West end of station 1 in the ally. Chief Jameson is working with the town maintenance department about having material brought in to fill in the dip.
5. Chief Jameson brought to the attention of the Board members that the current owner of the property and building of station 2 will be donating it to the district. The current owner will also pay for the appraisal of the property.

*MSA = Moved, Seconded and Approved (unanimously unless otherwise indicated)

6. Director Chimenti addressed the Board regarding the appointment of officers to the Fire/EMS department. Chief Jameson would like to appoint Brian Jameson to the position of Engine Boss. The Board of Directors were in support of the appointment. Director Nielsen advised that the District Guidelines be verified regarding nepotism and be amended if needed and to be addressed at the next monthly meeting.

EMT Director's Report:

1. We had 12 total calls, 7 were transported to the ER, 5 were refusals or cancelations.
2. Maintenance: changed the oil in Rescue 3. Brian found the issue causing the check engine light to be on in Rescue 1. We are working on finding the part and getting it ordered.
3. Training: we covered patient assessment with Mark Brunner as the instructor.

Administrator Report

1. No updates.

Old Business

1. Strategic plan is on schedule and moving forward.
2. The La Veta School building construction is moving forward.

New Business

1. The county has been presented with a notice of 2 events that will be requiring EMS to be on standby, Chief Jameson recommended that we have an agreement that for profit events should be paid according to our SERF agreement and nonprofit events be negotiated.

Executive Session – Not needed.

* **MSA:** The meeting adjourned at 19:10.



David E. Mower, Secretary