

LA VETA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

La Veta Fire Station
100 Birch St
La Veta, Colorado
MINUTES
February 13, 2020
18:00

Present: Directors Littlefield, Nielsen, Heikes, and Jameson were in attendance, Director Walker had an excused absence.

Staff: Acting Fire Chief Steffan was an excused absence, EMS Director/District Administrator Eddie Ray.

Guests: Dave Mower, Brian Jameson, Haley Jameson, Justin Jameson, Sue Pezze

Call to Order – Pledge - Roll Call

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

Approval of Agenda

* **MSA:** The February 13th, 2020 Agenda was approved as presented and one amendment, the update of the legal situation also be ratified by the Board members.

Minutes

* **MSA:** Minutes of the January 9, 2019 regular meeting were approved as presented.

* **MSA:** Minutes of the January 22, 2019 Special meeting were approved as presented.

Public Forum

No public forum.

Guests, Correspondence, and Presenters

Eddie Ray read a letter dated January 27, 2020 from the Town of La Veta Board regarding the relocation of the La Veta School district. They would like to be involved communication we have with the school district. The La Veta Fire Protection Board requested Eddie Ray draft a letter in response to the Town of La Veta Board regarding the La Veta School building.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report and payments for the February 13, 2020 meeting were presented.

* **MSA:** The Board approved the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Fire Chief Report

1. 5 Fire calls for the month of January
2. New tires are in for the Ladder truck
3. The speedometer is now working on the ladder truck

EMT Director's Report:

1. 9 EMS calls for the month of January
2. Training for the month of January covered scenario of a man down situation with cardiac event
3. No personnel issues this month
4. New power-load system is installed in Rescue 2
5. Replaced the 2 batteries in Rescue 3

Administration Report

1. The pay for maintenance on our vehicles is to continue with no modifications to pay or time.
2. The Board assigned the task of maintenance to be run through the District Administrator to verify that the work is being done.
3. The Board requested that the drone be brought into and stored at the station.
4. Continue with writing a grant to replace 10 radios that are older than 10 years.

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

Old Business

1. Director Walker has been absent due to a medical issue so Dave Mower has agreed to working with Jade Communication in Director Walker's place to discuss the contract. Dave Mower contacted Jade Communication regarding the contract and the additional antenna on station 1. The Jade Switch has been mounted on the wall and more secure.
2. Update of the legal situation: There is a settlement to the legal case, and it was an amicable settlement. ***MSA:** The Board of Directors voted to ratify and approve Jim Littlefield's signature as Board president of the settlement agreement with Stirling Lathrop on January 28, 2020. The case is now closed.
3. ***MSA:** The Board agreed to donate the OTTAWA Fire Engine to the Fire Department in Oklahoma. (Ottawa L10 Series Fire Truck VIN 11VVC06U9NA000043)
4. The upcoming election was discussed and determined that to get our elections back into sequence the Board decided to elect 3 seats to 3-year terms rather than 2 seats to a 3-year term and 1 to a 2-year term.
5. Strategic plan is on schedule and moving forward.

New Business

1. Director Littlefield brought up the idea of an open house in the month of April at Station 1.
2. Director Littlefield would like to hold a fundraiser in the month of July to raise funds for the La Veta Fire Protection District.

Executive Session – Not needed.

* **MSA:** The meeting adjourned at 19:29.



Maurice E. Heikes, Treasure