



Draft Business Meeting Minutes, January 8, 2020

BVFF Committee: Molly, Chief Andrews and Karen (recorder) were present. Carsen Smith was not in attendance.

There were no BVFF charges to approve.

The meeting was called to order at 19:02. Present were Commissioner Chair pro tem Pat Sample, and Commissioners Michelle Adie, Molly Olson, Doug Rupp and Leigh Christianson. Also present were Chief Eric Andrews, Assistant Chief Ernie Walters, Division Chief Jarrod Spence, Captain Brandon Vargas and Secretary Karen McPeters (recorder). Commissioner Chair Bill Tubbs was absent.

Public Commentary: No public

EXECUTIVE

Call volume was up about 8% in 2019.

The staff retreat/ leadership meeting will take place this Sat the 11th.

A letter was sent to Dist 5 regarding contributing to the cost of maintaining a medic program since so many of our medic calls are now in Sultan and Startup, tying up the medic who should instead be available for calls in FD 26 and KCFD 50.

Final balance for 2019 will allow transfer of \$270,000 to apparatus fund and \$50,000 to reserve, leaving sufficient funds in the expense account to cover the first few months of 2020.

Dispatch has made some changes to radio assignments and changed our agency to rapid dispatch protocol.

OPERATIONS

The City of Gold Bar has requested an assessment of the value of the usability of the precinct building, so an assessor has been contacted. The best utilization of the space available for offices and resident quarters will be discussed at the leadership retreat. Additionally, a remodel of the kitchen and dayroom at Sta 54 are planned, as well as completing work on Sta 55.

SUPPORT SERVICES / TRAINING

4 companies are bidding on the wiring work for the new phone system. Security access wiring will be installed at the same time as the phone wiring for future security access needs.

The county is requesting a landscaping plan for the training property as part of the drainage plan. 2019 review- ESTA was heavily used by both FD 26 and outside agencies, at cost. 2020 will see less use of the training center by outside agencies since the North Bend training center has reopened.

The WiFi system overhaul and new server are completed.

The rebranding website redesign, logo, vehicle decals and patches are mostly complete.

EMS

The Vail medics have started weekend and holiday shifts at the pass.

The installation plan for the change over to Stryker gurneys on our and Skykomish units is in the works.

Secretary's Report

The Systems Design report and run totals are available for review as well as a graph of transport collections for 2019.

Budget

Currently at 99%

There is \$480,000 carryover in expense so \$270,000 can be transferred to the Apparatus Replacement fund so we can stay on track with our vehicle replacement plan.

Minutes: Molly moved to approve the December minutes. With a second from Leigh, the motion passed unanimously

Vouchers: Pat moved to approve vouchers 1 through 44 for \$87,660.86 from Expense fund and voucher 1 for \$9980 from Construction fund. With a second from Michelle, the motion passed unanimously.

Payroll: Doug moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$114,934.17. With a second from Leigh, the motion passed unanimously. (Secretary's note: final payroll for Jan was \$108,941.04 due to the MSA's failure to meet contractual obligations for Dec and Jan).

Discussion

There are no new developments on cell service proposal.

Jan 28 is Firefighter Legislative Day

Old Business

The Larsen house will need to be demolished. May be able to do some small training fires and forcible entry practice, but it will need to be completely demolished and possibly replaced with modular unit of some kind.

New business

Michelle accepted the safety committee rep position

Next meeting Feb 12 Index resident house

Adjournment 7:45

"Volunteering to Make a Difference"

