

# Lower Valley Fire District

April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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## CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Valley Fire Protection District was called to order by Cullen Purser after prior notice of the meeting was given. The role call was taken, and the following directors were present, Mark Bonella, Jeff Phillips, Cliff Gray and Jesse Mease. Others present were Chief Cavaliere, Deputy Chief Katzenberger, Derek Campbell, Ben Linzey, Gary Mulkey, Anthony Padilla, Beau Schmalz, Sklar Smith, Bette Burnett, and Diana Manzanares.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Cliff Gray led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## CITIZENS COMMENTS/REQUESTS

None

## DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

## APPROVAL OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Cliff Gray** motioned to accept the board minutes from 03/14/2024. Motion was seconded by **Jeff Phillips**. The **motion** was passed with 5 votes.

## APPROVAL OF REGULAR PENSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Mark Bonella** motioned to accept the Pension board minutes from 03/14/2024. Motion was seconded by **Jesse Mease**. The **motion** was passed with 5 votes.

## APPROVAL OF BILLS

**Diana** stated that we have \$73,270.65 for our Expense Summary from March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024. She also stated there has been a correction to the Vendor Report on the list of bills that have been paid. It did not affect our budgets amounts. I had to add more vendors that have been paid on the list. **Cliff Gray** made a motion to accept the Expense Summary. **Motion** was seconded by **Jesse Mease**. **Motion** was passed with 5 votes.

## Resolution 03/2024

**Mark Bonella** motioned to accept the write-offs in the amount of \$40,387.14 for March 2024. **Motion** was seconded by **Cliff Gray**. **Motion** passed with 5 votes.

## APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

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**Diana** stated that we have \$3,311,028.67 which includes cash on hand (\$200.00), Grand Valley Bank / Fire, Colo-Trust General and Colo- Trust Infrastructure. We have accrued \$14,271.21 in interest for the month of March.

We received \$ 307,285.61 from Mesa County. Diana will be transferring money to our Colo-Trust account from our Grand Valley Bank to bring our account down to \$600,000.00 so we can accrue more interest on our Colo-Trust account. Dianna stated that she will need more paperwork to be done before she can do online transfers. As of yesterday, we have \$1,519,358.02 in Grand Valley Bank. She will be transferring \$900,000.00 to the Colo Trust General account. She would have Chief 31 and /or Chief 32 sign a transfer agreement of the day and amount. **Jeff Phillips** made a motion to accept the **Financial Statement**.

**Mark Bonella** seconded the motion. The **Motion** passed with 5 votes.

## REPORTS AND UPDATES

Nothing to Report

## ADMINISTRATIVE RPORT

Nothing to report.

## CHIEF REPORT

**Chief Cavaliere and Captain Mulkey** attended the EMS Provider grant hearing for the ambulance that we submitted on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>. Very good presentation with positive results due to a very prepared report.

Our annual audit with Paul Miller will begin on Monday April 15<sup>th</sup> and run through April 19<sup>th</sup>. We have been gathering all pertinent information to be ready for a smooth process.

SDA Annual Regional workshop will be Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at the Clifton Water District from 8:00-12:00.

Officer Development training is scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup>,2024 for those Board members who would like to attend.

## Officers

**Deputy Chief Katzenberger** -they have wrapped up the recruitment. One more skill test should be done next Tuesday. All four should be online in 30 days or so.

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We were able to get a 50-foot ,2 story semi-trailer for live firefighting/training from DFPC. The training will be Monday -Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at the Baptist Church parking lot on 17 ½ rd.

We are in Stand-By season we have more contracts this year than we had last year.

We have had some interest in the sale of the 3112 ambulance but no one wants to pay what we have it listed for.

We will be helping Palisade Fire with the fire that burned down the apartment building last week.

Cullen wanted to let the board know that he did do a Ride alone, and he got to see first-hand how all the agencies work together. He just wanted to let the board know that it was great to see how much we support each other.

**Beau Schmalz** stated that we were awarded \$4,900.00 from DFPC for structure gloves on a PPE grant.

## **Union #5625**

**None**

## **New Business**

**None**

## **Old Business**

**None**

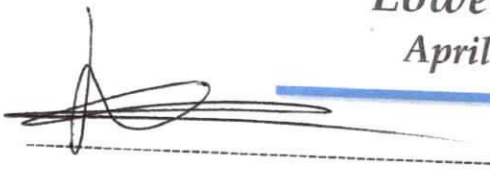
**Mark Bonella** stated that they had a budget meeting prior to this meeting and the salary issue was on the list. There is a plan to go into meeting next month and discuss the issues, but it must be in an open meeting and then it will go into effect July 1<sup>st</sup> if it is approved.

**Matt Katzenberger** stated that it will be in three documents, and it will explain everything. If the board members have any questions, please come to Matt. We will be open and very transparent.

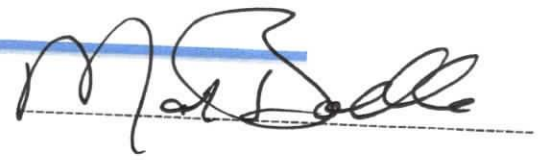
**Cullen** made a motion to adjourn. All in favor 5 yes votes.

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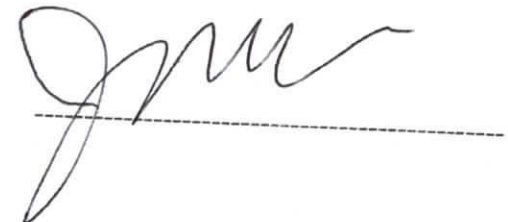
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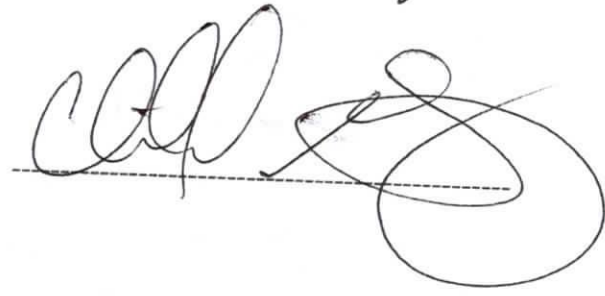
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