# Lower Valley Fire District July 8, 2021

## **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 Terry Nash after prior notice of the meeting was given. Roll was taken, and the following directors were present Terry Nash, Mike Durden, Larry Overbye, Cullen Purser, and Mark Bonella. Also present were Chief Cavaliere, Melissa Schmalz, Jesse Stocking, Cheyenne Conn-Pfertsh, Keila Utu, Tim Johnson, Adam Compton and Tony Svaldi.

# **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chief Cavaliere led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **CITIZENS COMMENTS/REQUESTS**

N/A

#### **DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

N/A

#### APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Motion** was made by Cullen Purser to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. **Motion** was seconded by Larry Overbye. **Motion** was passed by 5 yes votes.

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS

**Motion** was made by Mike Durden to pay the bills in the amount of \$64,190.41. **Motion** was seconded by Cullen Purser. **Motion** was passed with 5 yes votes.

#### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Melissa Schmalz gave the financial. **Motion** was made by Mike Durden to accept the financial report of \$2,275,074.24. **Motion** was seconded by Cullen Purser. **Motion** was passed by 5 yes votes.

# <u>REPORTS & UPDATES</u>

#### <u>Administrative</u>

No Updates

# Chief

Chief Cavaliere has submitted a request for reimbursement thorough Federal Mineral Lease District for \$50,000.00 for Loma Hall.

A request was presented to Board of Directors for the approval of an additional \$1,000.00 for the purchase of a new server for a total amount of \$8,424.45. **Motion** was made by Larry Overbye to approve the additional \$1,000.00 to purchase a new server for a total amount of \$8,424.45. **Motion** was seconded by Cullen Purser. **Motion** passed with 5 yes votes.

Lower Valley Fire District was awarded the State of Colorado EMS Provider Grant for 50% for a new ambulance. EMS committee is finalizing the specks to meet our needs.

Chief Cavaliere is in the process of billing for our participation in following wildland fires; The Pack Creek Fire in Moab, Utah; The Brush Creek Fire on Douglas Pass and The Wild Cow Fire on Baxter Pass.

A draft of the Strategic Plan and updated Apparatus Replacement Plan was presented to the Board.

A request was presented to the Board of Directors for a \$350,000.00 line of credit for Chief Cavaliere, for the purchase of a replacement ladder truck. **Motion** was made by Mike Durden to approve a \$350,000.00 line of credit for Chief Cavaliere, for the purchase of a replacement ladder truck. **Motion** was seconded by Larry Overbye. **Motion** was passed with 5 yes votes.

#### **Officers**

Captain Katzenberger is absent, but his Country Jam update is as follows: 1 fire related incident; treated 205 patients; 17 ambulance transports.

#### **Union #5265**

Union Representative Cheyenne Conn-Pfertsh gave the report.

Union members have been having good conversations with Chief Cavaliere.

Union members are interested in having more time with the FPPA representatives (Fire & Police Pension Association) to learn more about their retirement.

The Unions role on the Strategic Plan. Committees will be looking into Accreditation and Community Para-Medicine.

Grand Junction Fire Union shared their pay study with Lower Valley Fire District.

Chiefs of Mesa County will be working with the Unions to look into the Gallagher Amendment.

The crews are satisfied with the 48/96 schedule.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

N/A

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Resolution 07/08-2021 Monthly Write/offs

**Motion** was made by Mike Durden to accept the resolution of monthly write/offs for June 2021 in the amount of \$124,174.18. **Motion** was seconded by Cullen Purser. **Motion** was passed with 5 yes votes.

# **Juneteenth**

Discussion to add Juneteenth as an additional holiday. Discussion will continued at the August meeting.

President Terry Nash has given his resignation as a Board Member of the Lower Valley Fire District effective immediately.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** was made to adjourn the July 8, 2021 Board Meeting at 7:10pm. **Motion** was seconded by Cullen Purser. **Motion** passed with 5 yes votes.