

**CLEAR CREEK FIRE AUTHORITY
MINUTES APRIL 14, 2010**

The Clear Creek Fire Authority met in regular session on April 14, 2010 at Station 1 in Dumont. The meeting was called to order at 1900. The following were in attendance:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Craig Abrahamson	Georgetown Representative
John Curtis	Idaho Springs Representative
Tim Vogel	ESD Representative
Joan Drury	ESD Representative
Gene Day	Idaho Springs Representative
Wendy Koch	Empire Representative
Lee Behrens	Georgetown Representative

Absent

Scott Shafer	Silver Plume Representative
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Others in Attendance

Kelly Babeon	Fire Chief
Mark Abrahamson	Deputy Chief
Jeremy Jones	Captain
Jack Morgan	Idaho Springs Mayor
Joleen Swanson	

GENE DAY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Jack Morgan passed out and explained the attached letter expressing his concerns regarding the lack of membership and call response.

CRAIG ABRAHAMSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 10, 2010 – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

GENE DAY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS AND CHECK DETAIL OF APRIL 14, 2010 – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CRAIG ABRAHAMSON MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MARCH 31, 2010 – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

NEW STATION 7 UPDATE – Kelly Babeon stated this project is 75% complete. He stated that the solar panels are on the roof, the walls are being textured, the heat is running, and the interior trim will be started next week.

Tim Vogel stated that he met with Road and Bridge and they do not want the extra dirt and rocks for either Station 7 or Station 1. The Board agreed to get rid of it with the least amount of cost to the Fire Authority.

STATION 1A – Joan Drury stated that she would ask Bob Loeffler about the agreement for Station 1A.

IDAHO SPRINGS – JOINT FACILITY DISCUSSION – CAPITAL COMMITTEE – Tim Vogel stated that the Capital Committee met and discussed facility and water storage needs. Tim stated that Empire was identified as being the number one structure to be improved or replaced. He stated that Blue Valley needs a station, Georgetown needs an expansion, and Idaho Springs needs to be improved or replaced.

Tim informed the Board that Kelly and Mark would be meeting with the Officer's in May to identify and prioritize vehicle/equipment needs and the committee would schedule a meeting after that.

Tim stated that the committee agreed that the Authority would benefit from a grant writer and asked that either John Curtis or Joan Drury discuss this with Phyllis Adams.

Tim also stated that CDOT has scheduled a meeting discuss the Idaho Springs property on Highway 103.

2009 ACTUARIAL VALUATION – The Board reviewed the 2009 Actuarial Valuation. Kelly Babeon explained that the Actuarial shows our plan is financially sound and we can afford to increase our benefits to \$400 a month. Joan Drury stated that the Pension Board recommended the increase.

CRAIG ABRAHAMSON MADE A MOTION TO INCREASE VOLUNTEER PENSION BENEFITS FROM \$375 TO \$400 – The motion was seconded and carried with one abstention.

APPROVAL OF JOB DESCRIPTIONS – The Board reviewed and discussed the attached draft job descriptions for the Assistant Fire Chief, Captain and Lieutenant.

GENE DAY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS AS AMENDED FOR THE ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF, CAPTAIN AND LIEUTENANT – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

BAY DOOR BIDS – Kelly Babeon stated that he put this out to bid in the local paper for two weeks and has not had any responses. Kelly informed the Board of the two bids he has; Chuck Standen's bid is \$59,356 and Dan Tietz's bid is \$48,018.

GENE DAY MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM TASTEFUL TRIMMINGS LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$48,017.65 WITH THE CONDITION THEY HAVE WORKMAN'S COMP INSURANCE AND KELLY AND TIM LOOK AT THEIR WORK – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Kelly Babeon agreed to check with Bob Cole to see if we need to bond it.

CRAIG ABRAHAMSON MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACTS TO WORK WITH TASTEFUL TRIMMINGS – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

POLICY FOR REACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNED MEMBERS – The Board reviewed and discussed the attached draft policy for reinstatement of resigned members.

CRAIG ABRAHAMSON MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE VOLUNTEER MEMBERSHIP REINSTATEMENT POLICY PRESENTED TO US IN DRAFT FORM, DATED APRIL 9, 2010, REVISED AS FOLLOWS: THE FIRST PARAGRAPH UNDER PROCEDURE, 180 DAYS BE CHANGED TO 90 DAYS AND THAT THE NEXT TO THE LAST PARAGRAPH BE STRICKEN – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

SATURDAY'S WORKSESSION - Tim Vogel informed the Board of the intent for the Work Session with Dave Ventimiglia on Saturday, April 17th and encouraged all Board members to participate.

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TIRES ON RESCUE 2 – Lee Behrens stated it has been brought to his attention that the modifications done to the new Rescue 2 were not up to DOT standards. Gene Day stated that he examined Rescue 2 in great detail. He stated that he found all the modifications that Captain Jones did to be in accordance with good engineering standards and that it is his opinion that the integrity of the brake system was in no way compromised.

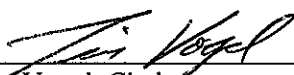
SPENDING APPROVAL REQUEST – Kelly Babeon stated that there is \$6,000 in the Water Rescue line and he would like to request spending approval of up to \$5,500 to replace five of our wetsuits for Swift Water Rescue.

CRAIG ABRAHAMSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SPENDING REQUEST FOR UP TO \$5,500 TO REPLACE 5 WETSUITS – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

DEPUTY CHIEF'S REPORT – Mark Abrahamson informed the Board that the Station 1 cisterns have been filled and are ready for use.

CRAIG ABRAHAMSON MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN – The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MAY 12, 2010



Tim Vogel, Chairman



Joleen Swanson, Administrative Assistant