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DRAFT - **December 15th 2022 7pm at Station #2 GGFPD Board Meeting Minutes** srg

Roll call - Deb Curlee, Chief Chris Enright, Nifty Ovuworie via Zoom, Chris Creech, Marith Reheis & Sam Patton both via Zoom, Patty Neer, Terri C, Didi R.

Additions and Deletions to the agenda -

Nifty requested items to be presented by Steve Green on the agenda be removed since Steve is not present.

Budget update the "transmittal" Deb said she can present that.

Nov. 21st 2022 minutes approved unanimously (the date on the agenda listed erroneously as Nov. 17th)

Dec. 8th 2022 minutes approved unanimously

Treasurer's Report - Chris Creech

"Two updates" - currently researching the accountant and bookkeeper duties

Chris is also researching cistern funds. Had questions about a "pre-paid expense" on statement of financial position current \$1689.60 (not clear what this is from recording)

Chris said we are in good position financially. Discussed purchase of radios and expenses with chief, Further discussion of current bills with chief.

Discussion of Novel website design bill and when Novel's service for GGFPD will terminate and free state website begins. No conclusion.

Discussion concerning Starlink. Chris C thought Starlink has a service that is less than \$110 per month. Chris C agreed to send info to chief. Chris discussed other options to decrease Starlink cost. Nifty said the "snow melt" offered by Starlink costs very little. Discussion of energy consumption and bills at the stations.

Chris C asked about donation line item in budget. Deb commented about a recent \$500 donation.

Chris C asked about payroll expenses. Chief clarified there is a lag on payroll but it will soon even out by year end.

Chris C asked about incentive program and stipends. Chief stated he is comfortable using the balance of incentive program for the Awards Banquet.

Chris C said we are under budget on PPE. Chief discussed Pleasant View donated PPE gear. Again chief said this line item will go up in the next few weeks.

21:00 Chris C asked about Prevention and Public Education line item and that there was a "zero spend." Chief discussed re-allocating those funds to other needed areas like FireWise and Wildland Mitigation.

Chris C asked about property and casualty insurance. Also discussed recent legal fees and that we are under budget.

Accounting line item and stated we only spent about half of the line item in the budget. Went on to discuss our accountant Robin Smith bills and that we only spent about half of that line item. Will use Robin Smith for "annual audit expenditure which is a requirement."

Deb asked about payments to Robin Smith. Chris C explained that Robin had a gap in time and did not receive statements and did not receive what he needed. Chris C has sent missing items to Robin to retro-actively bring us up to date. Niffy asked what we get from Robin. Chris explained that a bookkeeper can provide what Robin is providing. However do we have a legal requirement for an accountant on a monthly basis? Chris C is researching this. There is an annual requirement for a CPA to provide a certain form to the State of Colorado.

26:46 Chief Report Chris Enright

two chief applicants currently and trying to schedule interviews in January

New fuel cards for all vehicles ordered.

Operations have been busy. 110 incidents thru 12/13, lots of structure fires in surrounding districts, most were “nonsense but its been busy.” There was an outside fire in GGFPD from bbq ashes. Chief sated 17 members on roster.

Niffy asked how many calls in district? Chief said GGFPD gave mutual aid 22 and received 21 times. Chief referred Niffy to his reports. No answer given on audio recorder. Chief went o to discuss two new applicants and the pending resident applicant. Working with potential new training officer and training calendar is in the works. Chief Enright spoke to Chief Beal of Golden and no IGA updates with City of Golden. “Community Landing Zone” program - (no further explanation given). Award Banquet venue chosen.

33:50 Budget Update - Deb Curlee

Discussed filings and how complicated it was. Deb awaiting e-filing designation from DOLA to finish filing.

35:00 Community Reports - Didi Ramstetter

Award Banquet will be held at Vista at Applewood, Jan. 7th. cash bar starts at 5pm, Julie designed the invitations. Deb said if board goes they have to pay \$62 per person. Didi confirmed.

Terri Costeldia discussed trash service. Terri met with County Commissioner Tracy Kraft - Tharpe. Discussed multiple items including Guy Hill and road improvements to GGC Rd. Terri said the commissioner will come back in April for a physical tour.

42:16 Deb C talked about stump removal briefly and was followed by a conversation about slash removal. Patty Neer spoke about slash removal. Multiple people discussed the slash issue. Chief warned about chainsaw danger.

47:50 Public Comment

Marith Reheis asked about work on Guy Hill? Chief discussed “sight issue” and reporting to the county.

Terri Costeldia thanked “you all for the budget work. During the transition and the due diligence of the board, the chief and Julie with the website for their due diligence. You brought back the trust.” Chris Creech gave thanks for the comments.

51:00 Meeting Schedule Resolution - Deb Curlee. Chief Chris E. read statutes and the schedule of all future GGFPD meetings.

Deb discussed having all meeting at the Grange since it is central. However there are benefits to alternate between station #1 and #2 also. Suggestion of having every 3rd meeting be at the Grange.

56:00 Motion to accept this schedule made and approved unanimously. Schedule will be posted on the website.

Next board meeting Jan 19th 2023 Station #81

56:55 Meeting adjourned.