



# GOLDEN GATE

## Fire Protection District

P.O. Box 843. Golden Colorado. 80403

### Meeting Minutes

**(DRAFT)**

January 5, 7:00 PM  
Special Board Meeting

#### **IN PERSON:**

Golden Gate Grange  
25201 Golden Gate Canyon Rd.  
Golden CO 80403

#### **Recorded Session:**

#### • **Board Members Present**

- President Deb Curlee
- Vice President Niffy Ovuworie
- Secretary Marith Reheis
- Member Dave Primmer
- Member Steve Green (on phone)

#### • **Meeting Called to Order**

- 7:00 PM MST

#### • **Conflict of Interest Affirmations**

- None

#### • **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

- December 7, 2023 Meeting Minutes – Passes
  - Aye (Deb Curlee, Niffy Ovuworie, Marith Reheis)
  - Nay (Dave Primmer, Steve Green)

#### • **Public Comment (regarding proposed budget)**

- Approximately 20 community members and firefighters present
- 9 community members gave comments or asked questions
- 2 members were critical of increased budget and use of reserve funds (Linda Searcy, Aaron Primmer)
- 6 members were in favor of increased budget (operating funds from mill levy) and use of reserve funds for capital improvements and expenditures (Val Baughman, John Neer, Suzan Dentry, Terri Costeldia, Mary Preister, Chris Creech)
- 1 member asked how reserve funds will be used to improve stations (Pat Searcy). Chief replied they will be used for long-deferred maintenance.

#### • **Discussions**

- Discussion of need for revision of Community Wildfire Protection Plan and use of reserve funds to pay for CWPP revision. CWPP is far out of date (last revised in 2011); funds need to be in budget because we cannot rely on grant funding to pay. Primmer objects to using reserve funds to pay for revision; suggests that it can be done in-house.

- **Resolutions**

- Resolution to adopt revised consolidated fee schedule. Moved by Ovuworie, second by Curlee -- **Passes**
  - Aye (Niffy Ovuworie, Deb Curlee, Marith Reheis)
  - Nay (Steve Green, Dave Primmer)
- Resolutions to adopt proposed 2024 budget, certify mill levy, and appropriate funds. Motion made by Ovuworie, second by Curlee—**Passes**
  - Aye (Niffy Ovuworie, Deb Curlee, Marith Reheis)
  - Nay (Dave Primmer, Steve Green)
- Motion to adjourn at 8 PM moved by Ovuworie, second by Curlee--**Passes**
  - Aye (Deb Curlee, Niffy Ovuworie, Marith Reheis, Dave Primmer)
  - Abstain (inaudible) (Steve Green)

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