

Los Pinos Fire Protection District Regular Board Meeting

September 13, 2021

Regular meeting called to order at 6:01p.m.

Roll Call: James Brown, Chelsea Hamilton, Preston Rea, Tom Arthur, Mark Williams, Brad Egger, Scot Davis, and Laura Rodriguez. Guests: Craig Fischer and Ryan Mulay.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the August 9, 2021, board meeting, seconded and approved.

A motion was made to pay the bills, seconded and approved.

No public comment.

Chief Egger

A meeting with tribal council will be held on September 23, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Chief Harwig, Bud, Chelsea and James will be attending.

The contract with San Juan County has been in the works. We negotiated it for \$12,500 per year until 50 calls then renegotiate per call. Currently, we are running an average of 30 calls per year.

The assessed valuation for next year's budget looks like another drop by 8%-9% in both Archuleta and La Plata portions of our district. Will know more by the October Board Meeting.

James and Chief Harwig met with the Grange. They discussed concerns like the electrical, trash, windows being hard to open, smoke detectors and a password for the Wi-Fi.

Brad gave an update on the electrical panel at Station 2. Phillips Electric said it is against electrical code to install a panel in a bathroom. So, we will have to put it in the hallway.

This year we are going to be receiving \$111,735.87 from the emergency medical supplemental payment.

Chief Egger

We had some electrical issues at the maintenance yard when we were tearing down the old trailer. We had A to Z Electric fix this which led A to Z E to find some other electrical issues.

CFFA is at the end of the month. It will be held at the casino and they will use our burn tower.

Chief Davis

We finished the exterior firefighter course. We had four graduates. We have two new volunteers. Lucas Candelaria who is 17 years old and he is doing shifts on Mondays and Fridays. Rafaela Thomas who works at SUDC. She was with a volunteer department in Shiprock, New Mexico for about six months.

Luke Lacombe started an EMT class.

Trainings have changed from Tuesdays to Wednesdays.

We have the radios programmed and our gear ordered. It is not for interior fire use but for exterior and vehicle accidents.

Fire Chiefs Report:

We are at 691 calls compared to 521 last year.

Our wildland crew is back from the South Dakota assignment. They will go back on next Monday as available. Johnny did get picked up by BIA to cover for Goose while he was gone.

Chief Harwig finalized the design with Allison for Station 5. The permits are being applied for. Joel is getting subcontractor bids. Bud is working with Allison on final contract wording for Joel.

The new engines are finalized and the contract is signed. We will have to have them paid for by September 27th to get the \$42,000 discount. They will be done by next Christmas.

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Minutes approved by _____, President.

James Brown

October 11, 2021, Regular board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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