

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PAGOSA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

August 6, 2024

The regular meeting of the Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024. The meeting was held at 165 N. Pagosa Blvd., Pagosa Springs, Colorado. Except for executive sessions, the Board meetings are open to the public.

Call to Order

Chairman Lattin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members in Attendance

LeRoy Lattin (President/Chairman), Ron Beckman (Vice-President), James Martin (Secretary/Treasurer), Ryan Foster (Director) and Wayne Hooper (Director) were present.

Staff Present

Chief Bertram and Deputy Chief Macht were present. Attorney Dino Ross was present via Zoom. Business Manager Bliss was absent.

Approval or Adjustments to the Agenda

Chairman Lattin moved to accept the agenda as presented. Director Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Public Comments

(None)

Regular Meeting Minutes – July 2, 2024

The minutes from the July 2, 2024 regular meeting were approved with a motion by Director Hooper, seconded by Director Beckman, and carried unanimously.

Old Business

A. Consideration to Adopt the New Fee Schedule

Chief Bertram reintroduced the new fee schedule, which included fees for out of District services, to the Board for approval. Chairman Lattin moved to adopt the new fee schedule as presented, seconded by Director Beckman with Directors Martin and Foster voting "Aye" and Director Hooper voting "Nay".

New Business

A. Fire Chief Evaluation

Director Beckman presented a fire chief evaluation tool for the Board's consideration in regards to the upcoming review of Chief Bertram as per his employment agreement. Discussion took place regarding the evaluation process. The consensus of the Board was to continue this discussion at next month's Board meeting.

B. Resolution 24-03 – Opposition to the Statewide Proposals, Initiatives 50 & 108

Chief Bertram presented a Resolution 24-03 Opposing the Statewide Proposals, Initiatives 50 and 108. Attorney Ross provided background information on the initiatives. Following discussion, Director Beckman moved to adopt Resolution 24-03 as presented. Director Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Reports

A. Attorney Report

Attorney Ross reviewed the attorney's report, which was included in the Board packet.

B. Financial Report

Chief Bertram advised the Board that all bank reconciliations for all accounts were completed for July. He provided current revenue and expense information along with the July check register, which were included in the Board Packet. He reported all second quarter filings were completed by the deadline and the total of all account balances was \$3,904,634.26.

Chief Bertram concluded by reporting 673 burn permits have been issued, and 22 plan reviews were performed to date.

C. Deputy Chief Report

Deputy Chief Macht reported there were 715 calls for service and 2037 training hours to date. Deputy Chief Macht advised there would be search and rescue training on Saturday the 10th.

D. Chief Report

Chief Bertram reported Firefighter Rodriguez has resigned and has moved to Louisiana, leaving a vacancy on C Shift. An internal posting took place and Chief Staff is currently in the process of testing and interviewing applicants.

Chief Bertram advised a candidate academy would begin on Saturday the 10th and he will be adjusting his schedule accordingly.

Chief Bertram stated the District was present at the County Fair last week and discussions are taking place on how to have more presence within the community.

Discussion took place regarding fleet vehicles and regulations regarding propane bulk plants.

Good of the Order

Director Hooper reported he would not be present at the next meeting as he will be hiking the Sierra Trail.


Director Beckman stated there is a new business in town on Eagle Dr., First Due Gear, which carries uniforms and boots. He also reported the loss of the 19th firefighter from the Albuquerque Fire Department.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Lattin adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

APPROVAL:

The foregoing minutes, which have been approved by the affirmative majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Pagosa Fire Protection District, are a true and accurate record of the meeting held on the date stated above.



James Martin, Secretary/Treasurer Date