

PARADISE VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 12th, 2021
6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:24 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call was taken. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Irons, Commissioner O'Neel, Chief Glazier, and Marlaina Davy substituting for Secretary, Deborah Youngwirth.

Visitors:

Don Stanford

Approval of the December 8th, 2020 Meeting Minutes – Commissioner Bryan was not in attendance to second the motion closing the meeting. This will be changed to Commissioner Irons motioned and Commissioner O'Neel seconded. Commissioner Iron's motioned to approve the minutes with the changing of the people motioning. Commissioner O'Neel seconded. Commissioner Bryan yes, Commissioner O'Neel yes, Commissioner Irons yes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on new grants – We received the grant from BNSF, and the check should be coming soon. This grant is for gas detectors.
 - i. Grant Research / Writing Stipend (Action Item) Marlaina Davy gave a list of previous stipend amounts that were offered to be paid for grants written. A firefighter/volunteer was paid \$20.00 per hour. A non-volunteer was paid \$15.00 per hour for specific grants that they were asked to apply for. A previous firefighter/volunteer was offered to be paid \$50.00 per grant submitted by in house personnel and a stipend of 1% for grants that were approved for \$20,000.00 or more. In the 2020 – 2021 budget we have \$1,000.00 budgeted for grant writing. Commissioner Bryan asked who was looking to write the grants and Chief Glazier stated that Yahtil Huaute a current firefighter has expressed some interest and she has some experience. Chief Glazier and Commissioner O'Neel will discuss options with Yahtil. Commissioner O'Neel motioned to allow Yahtil to write grants for the District at a stipend of \$20.00 per hour with time to be turned in monthly. Commissioner Iron's seconded. Commissioner Bryan yes, Commissioner Irons yes, Commissioner O'Neel yes.
2. SOP/ SOG manual (Action Item) – Chief Glazier stated on page 11 it talks about responding to the station. We have a person that has put lights on their personal vehicle and the lights were purchased by that individual and he is using the lights to respond to the station or a call. Chief Glazier stated that he is worried this may be a liability to the district. Commissioner O'Neel stated that we will need to look at the law to see what vehicles can have flashing lights and the colors of the lights. Commissioner Bryan requested Commissioner O'Neel to look it up through Idaho code and for Chief Glazier to call our insurance company ICRMP to ask about liability of the person responding to a call with lights flashing on their personal vehicle. We can then discuss the lights on

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personal vehicles at another meeting after we have answers to our questions. Chief Glazier also had a couple changes to the vehicles and what station they are at. Chief Glazier also stated that we are exempt from DOT inspections. Chief Glazier's goal is to have a qualified mechanic inspect the vehicles on a yearly basis. Tabled to next month's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Boundary County Treasurer Letter – Commissioner Bryan read the letter from the Boundary County Treasurer and we will have a small shortage from the billing from our budget.
2. Thick n Thin Beams Water Billing (Action Item) – Chief Glazier stated that he would like to see an agreement signed by the District. We use very little water at the Cow Creek Station. Chief Glazier stated he would like to get more information before this bill is paid. The water comes from the well owned by Gary Regehr. The board would like something going forward on what the monthly water billing is. Commissioner Iron's will have an informal discussion with TNT Beams, and this will be added to next month's meeting. This item is tabled to next month.
3. Appointment Procedures for Board Vacancy – We will need to declare that the position is vacant. The notice of vacancy will then need to be put in the paper. We would then need a letter requesting to be a commissioner. At the March meeting a vote would be had by the remaining commissioners to elect a third commissioner. A vacancy will be open a week after the February 2021 meeting then the Board could appoint someone at the March meeting. The ad could say submit a written request by March 8th if the individual is interested to the office of Youngwirth, Davis & Associates

PAYMENT OF BILLS

1. Commissioner Bryan motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$15,877.82. The bill to Thick N Thin Beams will be held at this time. Commissioner Irons seconded. Commissioner Irons yes, Commissioner O'Neel yes, Commissioner Bryan yes.
2. Chief Glazier will call Northern Lights to inquire why our power bill is so high at the Main Station.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

1. Commissioner O'Neel called Boundary Community Hospital regarding the \$468.00 bill that was received, for Covid19 testing of two volunteers. The hospital has decided that they will write off the bill sent to PVFD.

TRAINING REPORT

1. We have been training the new people. We have been training for people to take over positions and having positions assigned to the new volunteers. Chief Glazier is setting up

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a party to celebrate Earl Matthews retirement and to say Thank You for being a dedicated volunteer for 13 years. The gift will come out of the Smokeaters account.

2. Chief Glazier stated that we had 266 calls in 2020.

CHIEF'S REPORT/ MAINTENANCE REPORT

1. Engine 351 is at the mechanic's shop; they are trying to get the top generator working. All the other vehicles are up to date and are working as they should be reported Chief Glazier.

VISITORS' COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

1. None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. None

ADJOURNMENT

1. Commissioner Irons motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Commissioner Bryan seconded.