

COLUMBUS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #3
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONTHLY MEETING Minutes
May 9th, 2022

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 17:30.

Present: Curt Robbins, Chuck Kronz, Brent Parkin, John Patterson

Fire Chief: Rich Cowger

Admin Assistant: Lisa Westervelt

Visitors: Ron VanHoosear, Sheldon Oliver

PUBLIC COMMENT: Strategic Plan Presentation via video conference call.

APPROVE MINUTES: Minutes for the meeting of April 11th, 2022 were presented and approved.

TREASURER REPORT: The treasurer's report was presented. See attached report. The month's bills were reviewed. The bills this month include two payrolls, bunk room remodeling costs, and expenses for the Florida fire assignment which are reimbursable. **There was a motion made by Chuck to pay bills in the amount of \$114,254.88. Brent seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

CHIEF REPORT: See attached

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Park City/Columbus potential merger: Chief has been working with Kate on the legal issues around merging two fire districts since this hasn't been done before.

NEW MEMBER APPROVAL: **There was a motion from Chuck to approve Irving Rodriguez Morales as our new resident. John seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS:

New Brush Truck Update

Brush 426 Update – Back in service, waiting to finish the computer updates which should be done soon.

AFG/SAFER/DOT Grants update

NEW BUSINESS:

Local government training – May 10th. Brent will be attending.

Appreciation Dinner – May 15th

Employee Compensation Committee: Curt and Brent will work with Chief on this.

Life Scan: Life Scan offers a comprehensive health screening program that they bring onsite. They need a minimum of 45 participants to schedule a screening. If we're interested, we can open this up to family members and other agencies interested as well. The state has a presumptive program for several different firefighter cancers but need a baseline physical, this screening would provide that baseline. The board is interested in the program from Life Scan, would like to see if there would be any break on our insurance from Blue Cross Blue Shield if we do these health screenings. It was also discussed if other health plans may cover part of the costs for the scans. The board members would like to get some more information, Life Scan may be able to do a presentation via Zoom.

OTHER MEMBER'S BUSINESS: The Reed Point station will be hosting a community outreach BBQ event to help strengthen the connection between members of the department and community. The BBQ will be in June sometime.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Columbus Community Foundation's fundraising event brought in \$3,000 for the Fire Association. We also received \$1,000 donations from Beartooth Electric and a matching donor for the Columbus and Reed Point stations.

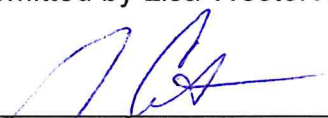
Chief is talking with the Mayor about either raising the cost of the interlocal agreement with the city, or annexing the city into the fire district. The mayor is open to the ideas and would like more information.

AGENDA INPUT FOR NEXT MONTH:

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 18:59.

NEXT MEETING: June 13th, 2022 5:30 PM FIREHALL

Minutes submitted by Lisa Westervelt



Chairman: Curt Robbins



Secretary: Debbie Parod