

**Limon Area Fire Protection District
Board of Directors
401 ½ A Avenue
Limon, CO 80828
Regular Meeting
May 17, 2023**

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting was called to order by President Monks at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

President Monks called roll for Directors, staff, and guests.

Directors present: Director Monks, Director Thompson, Director O'Dwyer, Director Rosenberger and Director Higgins.

Staff present: Deputy Chief Randy Harrel, Lt. Kim Harreld, and Sara Lancaster.

Guests present: Kerigan Kappel, Lagenia Reimer, Brian Zoril and Will Bublitz

Pledge of Allegiance

The Directors and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Agenda

Director Higgins moved to approve the agenda of May 17, 2023. Seconded by Director Thompson. Motion carried.

Approval of Minute

The minutes of the April 19, 2023, Board meeting were reviewed. Director Higgins moved to approve the April 19, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Director Rosenberger. Motion carried.

Ten Minute Citizen Input

None heard

Treasurer's Report

Director Higgins reviewed the finances for the period of April 19 to May 17 2023. Director Thompson moved to approve the financial reports as presented. Seconded by Director Rosenberger. Motion carried.

Director Higgins reported that the last payment for the Timberwolf has been made this month and this is our final payment. We have no other payments on equipment at this time.

Oath of Office

Director Monks administered the Oath of Office to Todd Rosenberger, Lagenia Reimer and Kerigan Kappel, and welcomed the new Board Members.

The Board then presented outgoing members with gifts of thanks while everyone enjoyed cookies.

Election of Officers

Director O'Dwyer moved to nominate Kurt Thompson as President of the Board adding that he will be covered by a \$1000 bond thru the LAFPD, seconded by Director Rosenberger. Motion carried

Director O'Dwyer moved to nominate Todd Rosenberger as Vice President of the Board adding that he will be covered by a \$1000 bond through the LAFPD, seconded by Director Reimer. Motion carried.

Director Thompson moved to nominate Teresa O'Dwyer as Treasurer of the Board adding that she will be covered by a \$5000 bond through the LAFPD, seconded by Director Rosenberger. Motion carried.

Director O'Dwyer moved to nominate Lagenia Reimer as Secretary of the Board adding that she will be covered by a \$1000 bond through the LAFPD, seconded by Director Kappel. Motion carried.

Director O'Dwyer moved to nominate Kerigan Kappel as FPPA Representative for the Board and the Department adding he will be covered by a \$1000 bond through the LAFPD. Seconded by Director

Rosenberger. Motion carried.

Approval of Final Code of Conduct, Employee Handbook, Drug and Alcohol Policy, SOG's and Bylaws

Interim Chief Harreld reviewed the above listed documents for the board stating that all the above named reports had been emailed in advanced for reading.

Director Rosenberger moved to approve the Final Code of Conduct, Employee Handbook, Drug and Alcohol Policy, SOG's and Bylaws as presented. Seconded by Director Kappel. Motion carried.

Other Business

- i. Interim Chief Harrel requested the Board to allow him to have a department credit card. Director O'Dwyer stated that she had called Capital One to determine if we could add other users on the account and it will require a resolution from the board and the additional users will be limited to \$1000 per billing period. The board agreed to move forward and get the attorney to write up the resolution for review at the June meeting.

Chief/Assistant Chief/Officers Report

The District's Fire Officers presented their report to the Board. The following matters were discussed:

- Deputy Chief Harreld reported on an upcoming training, Fire on the Plains that is put on by the State with many areas related to the department on education
- Training on the brush trucks
- Cleaned up the modular
- 2019 NFIPS have been completed and imputed. A big thank you to Lt Kim Harreld and Corrin Perry for completing this task.
- Congratulations to Jillian Rosa, Lt. Kim Harreld and Kaitlyn Tarver for their receipt of the "Step Up Award"
- Deputy Chief Harreld requested approval for 5 sets of wildland gear for \$2020. Director Rosenberger moved to purchase the 5 sets of Wildland gear for \$2020, seconded by Director Kappel. Motion carried.
- Priced 1000-gallon poly portable drafting tanks and request approval to purchase two tanks not to exceed \$1500 from Big R or Ace. Director Rosenberger moved to approve the purchase the poly stock tanks for a price not to exceed \$1500, seconded by Director Reimer. Motion carried.
- The Department has added one new member, Megan Good and will be needing bunker/structure gear pants for approximately \$750. Director Rosenberger moved to allow the purchase of one pair of bunker pants not to exceed \$1000, seconded Director Kappel. Motion carried
- The department would like to change medical directors from Dr. Hill to Dr. Angelidis. It was agreed to proceed with this change at this time.
- County is going to Pulsara for calls that will be on the department phones and will be how the department does triage. This will be provided free to all involved.
- Deputy Chief Harreld attended the Lincoln County EMS meeting stating that the County is giving us 4 triage bags along with other EMS entities in the area.
- Deputy Chief Harreld will be gone on his annual business trip from May 24th – 29th. The Board requested he communicate with Director Thompson who will be covering and in charge while he is gone.
- Provider Grant – Lt. Kim Harreld stated that we qualify for a provider grant for a battery powered cutter/spreader. EMS Director Harold Smith stated he would help us apply in December for this apparatus.

Directors Report

- Director Thompson – thanks to Chris for his leadership the last 13 years, and to John and Brian for all they have contributed to the Fire Department.
- Director Rosenberger – seconded what has been said about Chris, John and Brian.
- Director O'Dwyer – thanked Chris on his many years of service and his many contributions to the LAFPD, especially the acquisition of the new site. A big thank you to John Higgins for his time as treasurer and to Brian Zoril for his time with the department lending his expertise and knowledge to getting this department headed in the right direction and wishes him good health in his future.

Also a big welcome to Directors Kappel and Reimer.

- Director Reimer – excited to be here and serve the district
- Director Kappel – stated his pleasure in being able to serve on this board, and looked forward to contributing.

Adjournment:

Director O'Dwyer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Director Rosenberger.
Motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings: Next regular meeting date is June 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Teresa O'Dwyer, Secretary/Treasurer

Kurt Thompson, President