

**Meeting Minutes of the Estes Valley Fire Protection District  
February 08, 2023 4:30 p.m.  
Dannels Fire Station, 901 N. St. Vrain Ave., Estes Park, CO 80517**

**Board:** Jon Hodde, Larry Leaming, Dave Hamrick, Brian Tseng, Ryan Bross

**Staff:** Board Recording Secretary Goetz, Chief Wolf, Div. Chief Landkamer, Div. Chief Capo

**Also Attending:**

**Absent:** Larry Leaming absent excused, Brian Tseng absent excused

The following minutes reflect the order of the agenda and not necessarily the chronological sequence of the meeting.

**President Jonathan Hodde called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.**

**Chief Wolf led the Pledge of Allegiance**

**Secretary Goetz performed roll call – Larry Leaming absent excused, Brian Tseng absent excused**

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT / BOARD COMMENT**

No public comment

President Hodde congratulated Chief Wolf and Chief of Staff Goetz on being awarded the FR-WRM grant.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Dave Hamrick, seconded by Ryan Bross to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Ryan Bross, seconded by Dave Hamrick to approve the 1/25/2023 meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

**Presentations:** None

**REPORTS**

**Fire Chief Report –**

**Administrative Division:**

- Upcoming Events
  - Awards Banquet – February 17
  - Family Dinner – March 7

**Prevention Division:**

- Hiring
  - Update on Wildfire Specialist Position
- Grants
  - FR-WRM Grant
  - Expecting decision on CWDG in coming weeks

**Training Division:**

- February – FF Rescue & Survival
- Starting dual track training for engineers

**Operations Division:**

- Onboarded 6 new members since January 1. Continued recruitment.
- Three recent hires into other agencies

**Station & Apparatus:**

- New compressor / cascade installed, old to training site

**Volunteer Captain Report –**

Captain was not present. Div. Chief Landkamer stated the 1 member completed EMR training in Pinewood Springs.

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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**Treasurer's Report-** President Hodde reviewed the December financials.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Strategic Planning:**

Chief Wolf presented the proposed organizational chart and potential timelines when funding exists. Chief Wolf also reviewed an article published in the SDA newsletter on "Compliance with the Fair Campaign Practices Act".

- Next Community Information Session February 13
  - Currently 10 registered
- Desire for letters to editors & email to membership
  - Current proposal 2.900 mills
  - Table bond issue based on insufficient support currently and not believed to have enough time to change.

#### **Board Committees:**

No updates at this time

### **POLICY UPDATES**

#### **Policy #205 Non Operational Volunteer Program**

Chief Wolf presented for the second time policy #205 with no changes since it was first reviewed. Motion by Ryan Bross, seconded by Dave Hamrick to approve policy #205 non operational volunteer program. Motion carried unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Land and/or Office Space Acquisition**

Chief Wolf started the conversation with we have no more room in the station to add any additional desk space. What is the best way to solve this? Rent or acquire office space? Purchase property? There was consensus from the board that they feel we should be looking to rent office space until we have secured additional funding or can go for a bond issue down the road.

Motion by Dave Hamrick, seconded by Ryan Bross to move into an executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(a) C.R.S. to the purposed of discussing the purchase of property. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive session entered at 5:16pm

Motion by Ryan Bross, seconded by Dave Hamrick to exit executive session and resume regular session.

Motion carried unanimously.

Exited executive session at 5:55pm.

Short break

Motion by Dave Hamrick, seconded by Ryan Bross to enter executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for purposes of discussing a personnel matter regarding Chief Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive session entered at 6:02pm

Motion by Ryan Bross, seconded by Dave Hamrick to exit executive session and resume regular meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Exited executive session at 6:27pm

Resumed regular session at 6:29pm

#### **Action relating to Chief Wolf's Contract**

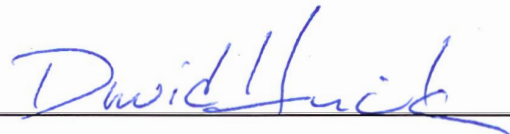
Board consensus to maintain Chief Wolf's current contract with 2023 salary set by 2022 salary plus COLA.

Motion by Ryan Bross, seconded by Dave Hamrick to approve a bonus of \$5,000 to Chief Wolf on the next regular pay period. Motion carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on Wednesday, February 22nd at 4:30 pm.

Motion by Dave Hamrick to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ryan Bross. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.



David Hamrick, Secretary

*The Mission of the Estes Valley Fire Protection District is to provide the citizens of and visitors to the Estes Valley with superior fire prevention, fire protection and emergency services in a safe and efficient manner."*

*"The Mission of the Board of Directors of the Estes Valley Fire Protection District is to establish policy, goals, strategies and financial leadership that are the foundation for the long-term sustainability of the District."*