

SNOWMASS-WILDCAT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes of the Board Meeting Held

September 21, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Snowmass-Wildcat Fire Protection District was held on Tuesday June 22, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. Noting that a quorum was present Chair William Boineau called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Roll Call

The following Board members were present William Boineau, Donna Aiken, and Drew Detrick. Also, present were RFFRA Directors Leroy Duroux, Ed Van Walraven, Chief Scott Thompson, Deputy Chiefs Richard Cornelius, Kevin Issel and John Mele, Deputy Fire Marshal Brooke Stott, Finance Director Jennifer Thompson, Human Resources Director Renee Thomas, Fire Inspector Jim Pidcock, Administrative Assistant Susan Herwick.

Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes – June 22, 2021

The minutes of the June 22, 2021 Regular Board meeting were reviewed. Director Aiken noted one spelling correction in the first paragraph on page three. Director Aiken made a motion to accept the minutes as read, it was seconded by Director Detrick and the motion carried 3 – 0.

Public Comments

None

Chief's Report

Chief Thompson stated that the budget is looking favorable with an increase in property taxes.

Our crew was able to help save the life of a person who had walked into the Snowmass Clinic with upper back pain and went into cardiac arrest. The call was explained in detail. Our system is working.

Since our last meeting Richard Cornelius was promoted to Deputy Chief. We just hired Daniel Palmer back as our Division Chief for training.

Some minor remodeling is happening at Station 42. We are adding a fitness room for the crew to work out in.

We are sending some people to Company Officer training outside of the State which we haven't done in quite a while. We can't bring these classes here.

Director Boineau asked whether we should add staffing because of the increase in call volume. Chief Thompson stated that is why we have hired a consultant to help us create a Master Plan. The Master Plan should give us a good idea of what we need to do where staffing is concerned. Chief Thompson feels that we do need more staffing but he

wants the consultant to make that call so that we can sell it to the voters. Chief Thompson explained what he expects the results of the Master Plan to tell us.

Deputy Chief of Administration Report

DC Issel stated that he had ordered two new Polaris side-by-sides with tracks for winter response. They should be here the end of October. Vehicles and facilities will be winterized in October.

Fire Marshal's Report

Fire Marshal Mele stated that wildfire mitigation continues as we can get the SWIFT (State Wildland Inmate Firefighting Team) crews assistance. We have mitigated approximately thirty acres this year. Director Boineau stated that he wrote a letter to the warden thanking him for the SWIFT program.

Human Resources Report

HR Director Thomas stated that the Authority Board requested monthly updates on the progress of the strategic plan. This report will be included in your board packet for each meeting. We are staying committed and focused on the strategic plan.

Finance Report

Finance Director Jennifer Thompson stated that the preliminary budget summary includes a 4.5% increase in assessed valuation for the Snowmass-Wildcat Fire Protection District. The Gallagher adjustment is still being collected. It is \$92,000 additional revenue in 2022. All of the property taxes have been transferred through the end of the second quarter. The third quarter property taxes will be transferred at the end of October. The first reading of the budget will occur at the regular meeting on October 19, 2021.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Session

None

Non-Agenda Items

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Director Detrick made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, it was seconded by Director Aiken and the motion carried 3 – 0. Chair William Boineau declared the meeting adjourned at 8:49 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chair William Boineau

Accepted:

Vice-Chair Donna Aiken

To watch this meeting in its entirety, please follow the link below:

<https://youtu.be/tzEO3TA8IM4>