

# RED CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

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Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting, held on November 6, 2017, at the Fire Station located at 2579 Canyon Heights Road, Pueblo, Colorado, 81005.

Board Members Present: Kennette Oldham, Julie Donohue, Tammy Toxvard, and Bill Hokanson

Board Members Absent:

Firefighters Present: Chief Darrell Mather, Asst. Chief Carrie Mather

Guests Present: Pam and Justin Youngren

Call Meeting to Order:

President Kennette Oldham called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

A motion was made by Bill to accept these minutes without exception and seconded by Kennette. The vote was, For: 4 Against: 0. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Bill Hokanson, and a copy was e-mailed to all of the board members prior to this meeting. The Fire Department received a \$5000.00 grant from Southern Colorado Community Foundation restricted for PPE (Personal Protective Equipment). Pictures need to be sent with them in the new equipment. A motion was made by Tammy to accept the Treasurer's Report without exception and was seconded by Julie. The motion carried.

Fire Chief's Report:

Chief Mather submitted his monthly report orally during the meeting and will follow-up with a written report later in the week. No calls last month. Darrell went to training for the Hazmat Ops class and found out that anyone sent to the class will receive wages while there at over time rate, room and board so the station can be staffed in case it is necessary. Darrell would like to send more people. Justin stated the Colorado First aid men were waiting for the dates for the EMR course. The cost would be \$250.00 per person. He would like to have the entire department take the class. We can get a grant to pay for it.

### Medical Report:

Asst. Chief Carrie Mather submitted her monthly report orally during the meeting and will follow-up with a written report later in the week. Asst. Chief Carrie Mather stated there were no calls for last month. The fire department is good on supplies.

### Web Masters Report:

No Report

### Old Business:

- Insurance classes need to be taken. Tammy will take them.
- Workers Comp changes and updates Kennette followed up with them. She will look into an insurance that may cost us less. She will bring the information to the next meeting.
- Newsletter goes out twice a year May and November. Kennette and Darrell will write a report. Darrell will put it together.
- Kennette requested letters of financial intent, letters of support and the financial impact regarding the new station to bring the community on board with this project. Darrell stated that we might be able to fund the purchase of a Hazmat vehicle and the funding for the building.
- Chili Cook off “Barn Burners” will play at a cost of \$400.00 if not available check on “Spur of the moment” at the same cost. Justin will make sure there is music playing before the band starts. Carrie would like to send an invite when we send the newsletter.

### New Business:

- Pam asked about a plaque for the “Cats Pour House. Bill said one needs to be made for Terry Fisher for her service to the department. Kennette will work on getting them ordered from Lucero’s Trophy Imporium.
- Bill would like the Fire department to have surveillance. He suggested a camera security system to monitor the station. There are concerns regarding items disappearing from the station.
- Bill suggested the department get a PA system for the department to be used for the department meetings.
- The budget will be reviewed and discussed at the next meeting.
- There was concern regarding the fire trucks that are not being stored in the building. The structure truck at the department needs to stay for the community’s insurance prices to stay lower. Kennette requested the mechanic and Ed Carlson come to a future meeting to update us on the condition of the old trucks and the recommendations for them. Pam offered to make a cheat sheet to explain what is required to work each truck.

Next Board Meeting:

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 4, 2017 at 1900. Kennette motioned to adjourn the meeting and Bill seconded.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm.