

Regular Meeting of Pinetop Fire Board
Monday March 17, 2014, 4:00 pm
Pinetop Fire District Station 120
5976 Buck Springs, Pinetop

Members Present: John Rowlinson, Carla Bowen, Bob Scheuneman and Scott Powell

Others Present: See attached sign in sheet

I. Call the meeting to Order: John Rowlinson called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Roll Call of Board Members: Board members present, John Rowlinson Carla Bowen Scott Powell Bob Scheuneman Doug Wright on excused absent.

II. Call to the Public: None

III. Chairman Report: John Rowlinson updated the board of his activities as Chairman since the last board meeting. His report is attached.

IV. Consent Agenda

1. **Approval of Minutes for February 5, 2014 regular Board Meeting and executive session and February 24, 2014 board meeting:**

Carla Bowen moved to accept the board minutes, Scott Powell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

2. **Approval of Warrants paid in February 2014:**

Scott Powell moved to approve the warrants and financial reports as presented, Bob Scheuneman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

3. **Approval of financial reports:**

Carla Bowen moved to approve financial reports as presented and authorize signatures, Scott Powell second the motion. Motion passed unanimously 4-0

V. Consent Agenda / Board Business

1. **Discussion/Consideration/Possible action: Setting a meeting date at which AFDA will be able to recommend a pool of finalist to the Pinetop Fire Board for interviews and possible "meet and greet" with the community.**

Interviews being held this Wednesday in Glendale. Per Jason Moore the prescreening interview process is moving forward with the panelists. John Flynn should have recommendations for the board by the April board meeting.

No action taken

2. **Discussion/Consideration/Possible Action: Intergovernmental agreement for a creation of a consolidated dispatch center in Navajo County, Arizona**

Chief Watson, received an IGA drafted by Navajo County concerning the creations of a consolidated dispatch center. Since receiving the IGA some parties involved have dropped out of the group. Jason Moore advised the board that some of the players are looking at pulling out, including the Town of Pinetop Lakeside, the City of Show Low, and Snowflake. The study will need to be reevaluated and rewritten with the cost for remaining players. If the cost comes out favorable and the remaining parties want to move forward a new draft IGA would need to be written to move forward. In the event the Pinetop Fire District makes the decision to move forward at that point, the district would need to have their own representation to review the IGA on their behalf as Jason Moore is representing the County. With the recent occurs of events there is not an IGA to act upon tonight. No action was taken.

3. **Discussion/Consideration/Possible Action: Approval of Resolution 2014-01, Disposal of Surplus property; 1994 Spartan Rescue**

At the November 2013 board meeting, the board authorized the sell the Heavy Rescue. The rescue is currently list with brokers; several parties have expressed interest in purchasing it. To precede with the sale the board

resolution needs to be approved by the board.

Discussion was held on where the funds from the sale of the truck would go, capital reserve funds and what the funds would be used for.

Truck has extrication equipment on it that is dated and inadequate based on today standards. Concern was expressed if the equipment was sold with the rescue if there was legal liability, per Jason Moore the equipment and truck would be sold as is.

Carla Bowen moved to approve the resolution, Scott Powell seconded the motion.

Discussion held on the motion included:

Per Richard Wallace the truck is listed at \$59,000 & \$60,000 he is expecting no less than \$45,000. There is no set price on this type of equipment. If the final sale needs to be approved by board it will create a challenge in getting it sold, if he has to wait for the next board meeting for approval.

Discussion was held on the wording of the resolution, and final approval needed by the board. Carla Bowen had concerns with the wording of the resolution. Per Jason Moore, there nothing wrong with the language of the resolution; it states if the truck was sold through an auction process final approval from the board would not be needed, if it is sold through a private party then the board would approve the final purchase price.

Jason Moore clarified the intent of the resolution. He was asked to draft a resolution to allow for the sale of surplus property when the district wants to dispose of district property. This resolution was drafted to be a standalone resolution designed to fit every circumstance that the district would have when selling personal property, without having to redesign a resolution for every sale. Carla Bowen stated she thinks the wording is ambiguous to her.

Motion failed 1-3 with John Rowlinson voting to approve, Scott Powell, Carla Bowen and Bob Scheuneman against.

Jason Moore clarified that the resolution was set up with an auction process as the preferred option because the governing board has the fiduciary responsibility to make sure it gets the most it can for personal property you dispose of. Generally speaking the auction process normally brings the best price for surplus property. The private sale is included because the resolution recognizes that sometimes the auction process is not in the best interest or may not work; therefore it sets a secondary option that requires it to come back to the board for final approval.

Richard Wallace said he can sell the truck on public surplus auction but, it would not get the exposure it does going through a broker. Currently four companies have the information on the truck; they want it to sell as high as possible due to them receiving their commission. It seemed the most logically way to sell the truck.

Rob Watson advised the board that the district needs to move forward while we have interested parties. Jason Moore stated the board can allow admin to move forward with the sale, allowing admin to negotiate sale to be approved by the board. It was stated that when the district receives an offer a meeting could be held to approve the sale

Carla Bowen motioned to approved to resolution based on the way it is written, John Rowlinson seconded the motion.

Discussion

Bob Scheuneman questioned if the motion should contain wording that the proceeds should go to back into a fund to purchase apparatus in the future. It was stated that the determination can be addressed at the time of the approval of the sale.

Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

4. Discussion/Consideration/Possible Action: 2013 Kenworth Water Tender , possible resolution to truck not meeting specifications:

Richard Wallace updated the board on the current situation with the Water tender. The truck is in Phoenix, the company has offered to put aluminum tank on the truck to reduce the overall weight. They are not giving in on the air ride suspension portion. They want Pinetop Fire District to sign a blanket statement that we will accept the truck unconditionally once the tank has been replaced.

Carla Bowen moved to go into executive session for legal advice. Scott Powell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. Board adjourned into executive session at 5:31 p.m.

The board returned from executive session at 5:59 p.m.

Carla Bowen moved to go back into public session; Scott Powell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 4-0

Scott Powell asked Richard Wallace how many water tenders do we have. Per Richard Wallace the department has two, the one currently in Phoenix with 2000 gallon capacity and one at station 110 with 1800 gallon capacity. Scott Powell questioned what the weight of the 1800 gal tender, per Richard it is well under it's GVW.

Scott Powell made a motion that concerning the water truck we seek proper legal counsel on what action we should take, Bob Scheuneman seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously 4-0.

5. Discussion/Consideration/Possible Action: Interim Chief Watson annual performance review:

Chief Watson has requested executive session for his review. Scott Powell moved to go back into executive session, Carla Bowen a seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. Board returned to executive session at 6:10 p.m.

Board returned from executive session at 6:30 p.m. Scott Powell moved to return to public session, Carla Bowen seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously 4-0.

VI. Summary of Current Events/Chief Report.

1. *Wildland Report: Arizona State Forester's Cooperative Fire Rate Agreement*
The rate agreement had been submitted, Chief Watson and received a verbal acceptance. Currently waiting for the signed official copy to be return. Several pieces of apparatus were multi-typed, allowing for possible additional assignments.
2. *Hydrant testing procedures*
Hydrant inspections, testing are two different procedures. Hydrant inspection varies from visual inspections to testing. All hydrants belong to water companies; they allow us to do what they want. Testing can include flow testing, done with assistance of Water Company. The color coding of hydrants per NFPA standards currently be done. We are building better relationships with water companies within our district. The water systems are remaining standard due to a lack of growth. There are seven water companies within our district. All hydrants have been inspected by our personnel. They were all working when they were checked. There is a City council workshop including the water districts and fire district scheduled for Thursday the 20th. Pinetop Fire District ISO rating is a 4.
3. *ESCI update*
No additional information has been received from ESCI to date.

VII. Future Meeting Dates and Items for Future Agendas -

Next regular board meeting Monday April 21, 2014 4:30 pm

Agenda items: Website and minutes requested by Carla Bowen. Update on the truck by Scott Powell.

Amended at April 21, 2014 meeting: Agenda items to include an update on the 2013 Kenworth Water Tender and the board members are to receive copy of paper work on the Kenworth Water Tender.

VIII. Announcements: None

- IX. Adjournment-** Scott Powell moved to adjourn; Carla Bowen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm