



PUEBLO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

29912 Highway 50 East—Pueblo, CO 81006

www.PuebloRuralFire.com

MINUTES

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

6 P.M. (new start time)

Please join meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone. <https://meet.goto.com/498613589>

You can also dial in using your phone. United States: **+1 (408) 650-3123**
Access Code: **498-6613-589**

1. ATTENDANCE

Ted Hall, Chairman
Robert Guagliardo
Rich Ikelman, Member
Mary Macaluso-Ikelman, Treasurer
Rich Himes, Member
Richard Orona, Attorney
Tomma Parco, Secretary 6:26
Chief Mike Furney
Asst Chief Robert Tracy

Asst Chief Steve Passig
Asst Chief Conrad Orndoff
Captain Rod DeSiata
Captain Charlie Vigil
Captain Grant Genova
Dan Farve
Jonathan Passig
James Porter
Gary Shisler
Joshua Bissonnette

2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:59 p.m., Wednesday, February 23, 2022, at Station No. 2 by Ted Hall, Chairman.

3. AGENDA

A motion was made by Mary Macaluso Ikelman to approve the agenda; seconded by Rich Ikelman; motion carried 5-0.

OLD HIRE MEETING

A motion was made by Mary Macaluso Ikelman to recess for an OLD HIRE meeting; seconded by Rich Ikelman; motion carried 5-0.

7:00 p.m. Begin Old Hire Meeting

7:03 p.m. End of Old Hire

4. MINUTES

A motion was made Mary Macaluso Ikelman to approve the minutes of January 26; seconded by Rich Ikelman; motion carried 5-0.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT--attached

A motion was made by Robert Guagliardo to accept the financial report as submitted; motion seconded by Mary Macaluso-Ikelman; motion carried 5-0.

6. UNION REPORT

Nothing to report.

7. COORDINATOR REPORTS - attached

8. CHIEF'S REPORT – attached

9. UPDATE ON PUMPER COSTS

Dan Farve reported that Toyne was going to increase the cost after they quoted a price. After talking to Toyne and learning that they could increase costs after the signed contract, the committee was not comfortable with continuing with Toyne. They wanted to look at other bids. They then chose to go with a Sutphen truck that can be serviced by the dealer SVI in Fort Collins which is a better benefit. The SVI contract price is still within the \$645,000 bid approved for a new pumper. The committee will travel to Ohio to give input on the new truck specifications where the truck is being built.

10. UPDATE ON VEHICLE FOR CHIEF

Purchasing a Chevy Tahoe Saturday. SVI will letter the Tahoe.

11. WELLNESS PROGRAM

Chief Furney said all testing is autonomous and will not affect employment. The District provides a free physical every year for firemen. The Board agreed that would be highly recommended for all firefighters for their own benefit. Chief Furney will get the physical specs checklist so a firemen can take the physical checklist to their family physician. There was discussion on the cost of what it would cost the District to design their own CPAT testing.

Giz said mirrors are in all three stations and some firemen use them now. Giz will proceed with a new wellness proposal for the Chief and the Board.

12. MAY ELECTION UPDATE

Waiting for the February 28 date to see how many self-nominations come in. If self-nominations match the seats up for election, Tomma will cancel the election March 1; otherwise, she will prepare the names for the ballot for the May 3 election.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION § 24-6-402(4)(f) Personnel Matters including legal advice

A motion was made by Rich Ikelman to recess to hold an executive session for personnel reasons to review cadet written test results and interviews stating: § 24-6-402(4)(f) personnel reasons; and § 24-6-402(4)(b) for legal advice. Motion seconded by Mary Macaluso-Ikelman; motion carried 5-0.

6:59-- In session

7:41-- Out of session

14. HIRING NEW FIREFIGHTERS

Chief Furney proposed that a new hiring plan be put into place to hire the new employees on March 14 after they complete the Training Academy. Dan Farve is on light duty and will be available M-F to help with training. They will enter with FF3 salary on March 14 if they have successfully completed the Academy. Each firefighter can see Chief Furney to review the test scores. Those selected by ranking points are:

- J. Landis - EMT
- Luna – HazMat specialist
- J. Slater – Paramedic
- J. Tracy- first alternate

The board approved of the new plan and Chief Furney and Attorney Orona will meet next week to structure the plan for the Manual.

A motion was made by Robert Guagliardo to use the new hiring proposed plan for Landis, Luna, and Slater; and start their FPPA benefits on March 14 with FF3 wages; seconded by Richard Himes; motion carried 5-0.

15. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Bills will be ready tomorrow. Chief Furney had the Board sign some blank checks for bills that will not get paid electronically.

A motion was made by Mary Macaluso Ikelman to pay the bills as prepared; seconded by Richard Ikelman; motion carried 5-0.

16. March 30 AGENDA REQUESTS

1. Pumper Update
2. Progress of New Hires
3. Election update
4. Engineer Written Test Results and Practical Results
5. Promote Two Engineers

17. **ADJOURNMENT** 7:59 p.m.

A motion was made by Mary Macaluso Ikelman to adjourn; seconded by Richard Ikelman; motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamma Parco

Recording Secretary