

CRAIG RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 16, 2020

Call the Meeting to Order

John Forgay called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Kowach absent (excused)

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Approval of Agenda

Tony Maneotis made a motion to approve the Agenda. Alan Webber seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Approval of Minutes

Tony Maneotis moved to approve the December 12, 2019 minutes as presented. Alan Webber seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Approval of Bills

Chris Nichols moved to approve the bills for January 16, 2020 as presented (Fire Department bills in the amount of \$19,732.32, Haz-Mat bills in the amount of \$2,575.00 and Pension bills of \$0.00) for a total of \$22,307.32. Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Purchase Orders

None

Budget Review

Nichols – 2019 Still has some outstanding invoices. We have collected 105% of our expected revenue. Administrative expenses are at 91.3%, Operational Expenses are at 90.2% and Capital Expenses are at 25.7% with Total Expenses at 66.4% of budget. After wildland engine comes in, we should be about \$89,000 under budget.

New Business

Chief Hume introduced the 2020 Rookie class. Class was welcomed by the board.

Resolution Designating Public Place for Posting Notice – Resolution was read by Tonya. Nichols made a motion to approve the resolution designating the bulletin board inside the main door to the office as the posting place for notice. Webber seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Resolution Designating Craig Press as the Official Newspaper – Tonya read the resolution.

Nichols made a motion to approve the resolution designating the Craig Press as the official newspaper of the Craig Rural Fire Protection District. Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Resolution for 2020 Regular District Election – Tonya read the resolution. Nichols made a motion to approve the Resolution for 2020 Regular District Election. Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (4:0)

Correspondence

Forgay read a thank you card from Paula Duzik

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Reports from the Chief –

Chief Hume – We had 45 calls in November. 22 EMS, 23 Fire and 0 HazMat. Fleet is in good shape, working with Front Range to get annual service done, probably in about 2 weeks. The wildland workgroup is looking into delivery dates for E6. Division of Fire Prevention and Control has a driving simulator trainer that we could borrow for training. The termination in absentia letter was sent out certified mail. It has been sent back as undeliverable. The State Fire Commission has been discussing how to address the shortfall in funding with wildland calls. Lots of good conversations. The storage bays North facing door has the snow shed dumping right in front of the doors. Which is a design issue. It blocks access and drops near the gas meter. We are working on clearing that. It is a hazard. When the weather clears, we will get a proposal for a sloped cover for that. We have contracted in the past with Ager for snow removal at the tower. It was costing about \$350 a month. This year we got a bid and elected to do it ourselves instead. Nick Scheller has been clearing snow with a skid steer for the cost of fuel. We paid \$125 to provide a new cutting blade on the skid steer. Thank you to Nick. We had PR requests for the library, senior social center, and career fair all go out today.

Board Member Reports

Rod Kowach –

Chris Nichols – Welcome everybody. I have sat in your seat before. This year is a lot of work, but it is an exciting year. Very rewarding. Tonya – accolades again. Great job. Appreciate the department coming in under budget. It's great to have volunteers, it helps out with the budget tremendously. We spend the money on equipment instead of wages. Congratulations to the winners of the Unsung Hero and Firefighter of the year.

Tony Maneotis — Welcome to all of the new faces. Great people here to learn from. Good luck. Tonya, excellent Christmas party. Thank you.

Alan Webber — Welcome Rookies to the family. We look forward to working with you. Sorry about missing the party, hear it was good. We'll be having to have some conversations soon. The closing of the plant and mines, 10 years will be here fast. Don't know what it's going to look like.

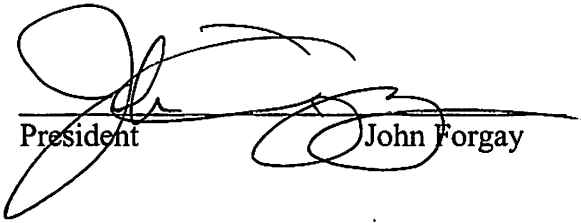
John Forgay — Almost everything has been said. Don't look at yourself as just firefighters in Craig. Our department is well known and respected throughout the state. Sorry I missed the orientation. Welcome everybody. The board is here to give you the best to succeed.

Audience Comments

None

Adjournment

Forgay entertained a motion to adjourn. Nichols moved. Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (4:0) Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.



President John Forgay



Secretary/Treasurer Chris Nichols