



Oak Creek Fire Protection District Board Meeting Minutes Nov 12 2024

Call to order 6:36 pm

A meeting of Oak Creek Fire Protection District was held at 131 E Main Street Oak Creek CO on Nov 12, 2024

Attendees

Attendees included David Park, President; Mike Roach, Secretary; Eric Kimsey, Member

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included: Dwayne Osadchuk, Member; Skyler McKinley, Member.

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the following meetings were reviewed and approved:

Oct 26, 2024

Financial Review

Karrie Littman presented the Board with the current Financial Statements including details on revenues that have been received and anticipated timeline of future tax and deployment revenues. The Board had a few questions, and they were answered. The Board approved the financials.

The FPPA Affliction Agreement was tabled.

Budget 2025

The revised draft budget was delivered to the Board and the Chief briefed the Board on some of the details to include the increase in the mil levy revenues will be approximately \$11,000 over last year and the deletion of the backfill of reduced tax revenue due to the increase of more than 5.5% over last year.

David Park gave specific instruction that the revenues allocated for capital improvements from impact fees will need to be managed in a separate bank accounts and separate ledger, so the

tracking of such revenues is clear and transparent. He also asked about the revenues from the Minn RX burn income that is not present on the budget and the Chief explained he was not sure it would materialize so he left it off.

There was no Mitigation included in the budget for next year as the District would like to concentrate more on the smaller community projects and deployments.

Mike Roach did ask about the line item of Wildland Consultant and the Chief explained that was for the services of Ian Satterfield, who has assisted with the mitigation contracts and trainings and other projects.

There are 3 wildland engines that will be sold for approximately \$49,000 in the near future.

Chief Glauthier did relay that the match for the Ambulance that is being built and delivered in 2025 will need to be in the form of a bank note of \$148,000

David Park liked the new format with the Structure and Wildland separate as did the other Board Members. He did task the Administration on setting up the separate accounts for the Capital revenues that will begin in January 2025.

Mike Roach asked about the Winter Storage of the engines and the Chief assured him it was in progress near agreement and that all of them are being winterized completely this year!

The Chief will have a revised version ready for the Board to approve at the December 5th meeting.

Impact Fees

David Park presented the Exception Waiver List and a checklist for application consideration by the Board. There was much discussion on both documents with the Board stressing the importance of consideration of Public Benefit. Once the list is approved, Notice of such will be given to the Town of Oak Creek and Routt County.

Fire Camp

Chief Glauthier reported after a public meeting and addressing the concerns of the public the SUP has been approved by the Planning Commission which will send this recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. The Board is reiterated that the housing is temporary with only a 3 yr window that starts when it is approved.

New Fire Station

Chief Glauthier reported that the Soroco High School discovered that the property that was preliminarily earmarked for the new Fire Station/ Training Facility is deed restricted so more research will be needed there.

Chief's Report

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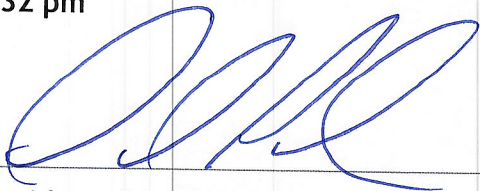
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