



Durango Fire Protection District

Minutes of the DFPD Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 28, 2024, 8:00 a.m. | 142 Sheppard Dr, Durango, CO 81303

Call to Order

President Karen Barger called to order the meeting of the Durango Fire Protection District Board of Directors at 8:01 a.m. Board members present for the Call to Order were Rob Farino, Tina McCallum, Samantha Gallagher, Lyle McKnight and John Dezendorf. Staff members included Fire Chief Randy Black, Deputy Chief Michael Krupa, Deputy Chief Jeff Harris, Finance Director Eric Baker, Fire Marshal Stephen Rinaldi, Human Resources Director Megan Kunch, and Administrative Assistant Katie Pounds. Legal Counsel Bud Smith was also in attendance. Steve List's absence was excused.

Agenda

No additions, deletions or revisions.

Approval of Minutes

- **April 23, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Samantha Gallagher to approve the April 23, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by John Dezendorf. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Reports

Chief Report:

Fire Chief Randy Black reported on the following:

- **Strategic Plan:** The week of working with CPSE (Center for Public Safety Excellence) to create a strategic plan for DFPD was at the beginning of May. The community lunch was well attended with 37 people and then a small group of DFPD's membership met for the following three days. The rough draft has been presented and will be worked on.

- **Station 2:** Micropiles were finished on Saturday. The crew is projected to move into the new building in July of 2025, with a project completion in October of 2025. Chief Black and Deputy Chief Jeff Harris are attending the weekly OAC meetings.
- **New Truck:** The new Engine 15 went into service on May 20. Engineer Drew Duvall and Fleet and Facilities Director Howard Smith were the two in charge of getting Engine 15 up and running, ready to be put in service.
- **Wildfire Seasonal Crew:** There are 21 people on the seasonal crew this year. There is a crew on severity, one in Arizona, one in Dolores and one working with U.S. Forest Service.
- **Backfill:** DFPD has received the backfill from the County. The City has requested an invoice from DFPD in order to release their portion of the backfill.
- **9-R:** There is no update on negotiations with them. Chief Black and President Karen Barger have a meeting with the lawyers on May 29.
- **104 Sheppard:** There have been a few showings of the building. DFPD will hopefully be under contract soon.

Written Financial Report

- *A motion was made by Tina McCallum to approve the April 2024 financial report as presented, seconded by Samantha Gallagher. Motion carried unanimously.*

New Business

- **Powerhouse Easement:** Chief Black reported that both DFPD and the City have been served a Notice of Claim from The Powerhouse and the La Plata County Historical Society concerning the easement that is adjacent to The Powerhouse property. The Powerhouse is wanting to expand where the easement is currently located. The easement has been put on the plat of the property that DFPD purchased. The Powerhouse is stating the easement should not have been put on the plat and it imposes on their proposed expansion plan.
- **Consideration and Possible Action on Resolution 2024-6: INTENT TO ADOPT IMPACT FEE SCHEDULE:** *A motion was made by Samantha Gallagher to approve Resolution 2024-6: INTENT TO ADOPT IMPACT FEE SCHEDULE, seconded by Tina McCallum. Motion carried unanimously.*

Adjournment

President Karen Barger adjourned the meeting at 8:39 a.m.

By: /s/ Karen Barger
President

Attest: /s/ Katie Pounds
Administrative Assistant