

Regular Board Meeting
January 29, 2009 - 5:30 p.m.
Station 320 Holdeman Room

Call to Order – 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call – Bates, Linden, Gomez, Childers, McNally, Hughes, Washnock

In attendance: Board Counsel Lyons, Chief Leshner, Admin. Capt. Dolgener

Guest: Anne Bates

Public Comments

Approve Minutes – Upon motion by R. Bates, second by T. McNally, the November 2008 Regular Board Meeting minutes are unanimously approved as written.

Approve Treasurer's Report – With no December meeting, the November and December 2008 financial statements need approval at this meeting. Upon motion by S. Gomez, second by A. Washnock, the November 2008 Financial statement is unanimously approved. Preliminary December 2008 Financial statement was reviewed; expenses looked good with a few line items going slightly over budget, but the total year expenses remained under budget. There will be some 2008 expenses that may not invoice until late in December or early January, those will be journaled back into the 2008 statement during the audit process. Upon motion by T. McNally, second by R. Bates the preliminary December 2008 Financial statement is unanimously approved. R. Bates spoke with Cheryl Wallace (Bondi & Co) about their recommendation to provide a combined audit statement that would represent the district funds as one rather than two separate funds. R. Bates agreed that this was now ok since the District "De-bruced". Upon motion by M. Childers, second by S. Gomez, it is unanimously approved to have auditor consolidate the statement as recommended.

Old Business – Business cards to be ready at next meeting. List of excused absences will be added to the next by-law revision by T. McNally to include but not limited to; out of town, illness, work related, death, conflicting meeting, and emergency.

S. Linden distributed 2009 revision of Chief's evaluation form (see handout). The Chief's performance will be evaluated for the period from 6/08 – 3/09 (which should put it back on track for annual). T. McNally will work with Chief Leshner to revise the Chief's job description.

Berthoud Station Purchase – in Chief's report.

Committee Reports

Finance – T. McNally & S. Gomez working on donation request form to assist with board decision of financial support. 2009 is the final year of support to Healthy Beginnings. Will wait on Larimer Center Mental Health donation until form is finalized.

Liaisons – T. McNally briefly mentioned that the mental health transport negotiations have slowed down due to other parties not ready to commit to the program.

Long Range Task Force

Publicity

Personnel/Morale

SDA - T. McNally recommended reading of the December 2009 SDA newsletter regarding the ADA amendment and the January 2009 issue regarding support of stimulus funds for special districts. T. McNally spoke briefly about the article in the February 2009 issue regarding current market volatility, specifically page 6 regarding impact on local agency investments during economic downtimes. There will be an SDA board member workshop held in Longmont, April 21, see page 2 of February newsletter.

New Business – Upon motion by S. Linden, second by T. McNally the 2009 designation of posting place for Notice/Agenda will be Station 320, Larimer County Clerks office, Berthoud Town Hall (Berthoud Station if town hall does not accept). Motion is unanimously approved.

Upon motion by T. McNally, second by M. Childers, it is unanimously approved to open new checking accounts at Home State Bank for the T. Seek Memorial Fund and the employee insurance deductible expense, with current signers (E. Hughes, S. Gomez, R. Leshner, and M. Dolgener) on insurance deductible account and R. Leshner & M. Dolgener on T. Seek Memorial account.

Legal (Board Counsel) - In January, TVEMS must file district map with county assessor. Chief Leshner said it has not changed since the last filing: counsel recommends sending letter to assessor confirming that district map has not changed. R. Lyons is on the SDA legislative affairs committee, reported that there is currently not too much legislation that would affect TVEMS. One bill called Special District accountability bill is in process; the primary focus of the bill is if you have a website, you may post minutes, taxes, public information etc. on site. R. Lyons says it looks like an ok bill.

Another legislative item which is not yet a bill and he will watch carefully, is that fire and police unions have drafted bill to make it easier for unionization of public sector employees.

Resolution to adopt the State Archivist model retention schedule for special districts was motioned by M. Childers, second by R. Bates. Motion is unanimously approved.

Chief's Report – Chief Leshner reviewed the December and Year-to-date (YTD) call activity. See handout for details. Chief Leshner mentioned Senate Bill 2; the motor vehicle registration fee of \$1 - \$2 would increase grant revenues and should be out of committee today. House Bill 16; would exempt fire & ambulance districts from Urban renewal authority, HB 1070, gives us the right to ask for arbitration.

We received the Certificate of Occupancy (CO) for the Berthoud station; the crews moved in on 19th. There may be an open house in the coming weeks.

Mail/E-Mail – Thank you from Healthy Beginnings for quarterly donation. Thank you from Captain T. Seek for Christmas gift card.

Schedule Chief's Breakfast – Tuesday, February 10, 7:00 a.m. The Egg & I.

Next Meetings:

Finance Committee – February 24, 2009 – 5:45 p.m.

Regular Board – February 26, 2009 – 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment – Upon motion by S. Gomez, second by S. Childers, and with there being no further business, the regular board meeting is adjourned at 7:37 p.m.