CRAIG RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 20, 2022

Call the Meeting to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Approval of Agenda

Rod Kowach made a motion to approve the Agenda. Chris Nichols seconded. Motion passed. (3:0)

Approval of Minutes

Nichols moved to approve the September 15, 2022 minutes as presented. Kowach seconded. Motion passed. (3:0).

Approval of Bills

Kowach moved to approve the bills for October 20, 2022 as presented (Fire Department bills in the amount of \$21,332.13, Haz-Mat bills in the amount of \$0.00 and Pension bills of \$0.00) for a total of \$21,332.13. Nichols seconded. Motion passed. (3:0)

Purchase Orders

None

Chapman Arrived to meeting.

Budget Review

Nichols – As of October 20th: Revenue 102%, Administrative expenses are at 82.9%, Operations 68.7%, Capital at 50.7%, for a total expenditure at 75.9%. We have a month and a half to go, sitting in pretty good shape. Looking to have all bills in and approved by end of February.

New Business

Draft Budget – Nichols – Chief & I presented draft budgets last month, there are no significant changes. HazMat budget has no changes. The Pension budget has been updated to reflect current year to date. The Fire budget has been updated to reflect current year to date. E-dispatches came in a little higher, so that has been updated. Communications Equipment has been added for batteries, clips, etc. Very minor changes. Any questions? The carryover is nearly \$100,000 less than this year, but the revenue is also down \$70,000. December Board meeting will be held December 8th.

Correspondence

None.

Reports from the Chief -

Chief Mercer – We had 23 calls in September. 5 EMS, 18 Fire and 0 HazMat. Rookie Academy update, Colt has passed Fire 1 written exam, has a HM test scheduled. Have tasked officers with looking into policies. PR this month has been busy with water delivery to the ice arena, preschool visits and fire inspections and are going to go to the 5th quarter dodgeball tournament Friday night. The Fleet is in pretty good shape. E1 turbo has been replaced. The actuator had not shipped, working with Cummins for the missing part. E3 foam pump motor is here. E7 has a Kussmaul issue that we are working on. Fleet maintenance has been completed. There is a second estimate for the Command vehicle repairs in the packet. Please review and advise. ESO is set for a go live date

of November 1st. Hose testing is completed. We had a good showing and only lost two sections of hose. Capital replacement plan working on looking at 10-year needs. Lobby lights update, there has been an electrician here yesterday and the LED's have been sent back for replacement. Firefighter Krause has submitted his letter of retirement for pension purposes. He would like to return to active duty. JB Chapman made a motion to approve Shane Krause's retirement and return to duty. Kowach seconded. Motion passed. (4:0) The HazMat ID has been ordered. The anticipated delivery is January 23, 2023. Kowach asked about the estimates. Elkhead Collision came in at \$1,064.14 and Yampa Auto Body was \$1,005.60.

Board Member Reports

<u>Rod Kowach</u> – Busy month with calls and PR. The PR is great, too bad the parade was cancelled. Thanks for the bonfire. Winter is coming in, be safe. Thank you for what you do.

<u>Chris Nichols</u> – The District has a seat on the U.R.A. board, Webber is our member rep, and does not have time. Does someone want to be our new rep? Kowach is willing to go. The city is also in the process of rotation of auditors as a standard process. There are pros and cons with this system. Wanted to bring up to the board for their opinion. Greg is doing a great job, with no problems. Tonya likes him, just want an opinion. We are not required to switch. Discussion followed. Board feels keep auditor, perhaps do an overview check periodically. Winter driving is coming, slow down, and emphasize safety.

<u>J.B. Chapman</u> — Kudos on everything. Recruiting, will try to get some candidates, let me know what I can do to help.

Alan Webber —

<u>John Forgay</u> — Ditto, appreciate you guys. The gathering at the movie was a great time. Turn out was great. Really enjoyed.

Audience Comments

None

Adjournment

Forgay entertained a motion to adjourn. Kowach moved. Chapman seconded. Motion passed. (4:0) Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

John Forgay

President

Secretary/Treasurer

Chris Nichols