## LA VETA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

## **MINUTES** SPECIAL MEETING

January 12, 2015 5:00 PM

Present: Directors Brunner, White, Nielsen, Shrout and Littlefield were in attendance. Staff: Fire Chief DeTray, EMS Director Schmidt and District Secretary Pezze.

Also in attendance were Brian Risley, CRP Atrchitects, Ken West, Paul Depatie and Louis

Nazario of H.W. Construction Co. and Regional DOLA Rep. Lee Merkel

**Call Meeting to Order** 

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the La Veta Fire Protection District (LVFPD) was called to order on January 12, 2015 at 5:00 PM at the Pueblo offices of H.W. Houston Construction Co. for the purpose of discussing the New Station construction plans.

Brian Risley gave a brief overview of the project. He presented and reviewed a handout explaining building divisions and associated, estimated costs as presented to the Board at the November 13, 2014 regular Board meeting. The information presented was for the value engineering on a one story, metal building with forced air and radiant infrared tube heating in lieu of in-floor radiant heating and the community room unfinished.

DOLA Regional Manager Lee Merkel advised that additional energy impact funds have recently become available. Mr. Merkel feels that these funds are available for upgrading the building to include energy efficient features and possibly add an eight foot masonry wainscot on the exterior. He recommended that the LVFPD send a letter to DOLA requesting supplemental funds, up to \$290,000.00 with equal match of LVFPD funds, to put toward upgrades. Mr. Merkel offered to review and critique a draft of the letter.

When asked if the expense for the original design could be included in the match funds, Mr. Merkel stated that any design expenses spent on the project in 2014 would be considered matching funds.

Ken West suggested that H.W. Houston Construction pursue getting building costs from the subcontractors, develop a menu of features and associated costs and then select the most important features. Those being high performance in-floor radiant heating and possibly completion of the community meeting room or veneer masonry on the exterior.

Brian Risley confirmed with H.W. Houston Const. that an April 1 groundbreaking is possible and they will lock in subcontractors' prices. Also, they will coordinate a Job Fair in La Veta very soon to invite local subcontractors and potential laborers to view the plans, ask questions and advise them of the process to submit proposals.

MSA: Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Shannon R. Shrout, Sec.