

LA VETA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

La Veta Fire Station
100 Birch St
La Veta, Colorado
MINUTES

April 14, 2022 @ 18:00

Present: Directors Heikes, Nielsen, Chimenti, Walker, and Mower were in attendance.

Staff: Fire Chief Ron Jameson and EMS Director/District Administrator Eddie Ray.

GUEST: VONNIE VALDEZ, MARK BRUNER

Call to Order – Pledge - Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 18:00, the Pledge of Allegiance was given, roll call was taken.

Approval of Agenda

* **MSA:** The April 14th, 2022, Agenda was approved.

Minutes

* **MSA:** Minutes of the March 17th, 2022 regular meeting were approved as presented.

Public Forum

Guests, Correspondence, and Presenters

Treasurer's Report

- * **MSA:** the treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Fire Chief Report

- The wildland refresher was held this month, and all went well.
- The CAT generator has been sold and shipped to its new owner in New Mexico.
- Chief Jameson has found 10 newer SCBA equipment for the price of \$500.00 per unit. Chief Jameson would like to purchase them for the total amount of \$5,000.00.
 - a. * **MSA:** The Board agreed to purchase the replacement SCBA equipment for \$8,000.00 to be paid out of the Board of Directors Stipend Fund from ColoTrust.
- Chief Jameson found 10 SCBA units from Frasier Fire that are being donated to the LVFPD for free. There is another district that is in need of SCBA equipment that Chief Jameson is recommending donating our old equipment to for their benefit.
- Chief Jameson would like to promote Justin Jameson and David Steffan to the position of Captain.
 - a. * **MSA:** The Board of Directors agreed with the promotion of Justin Jameson and David Steffan into the position of Captain and Eric Guadagnoli into the position of Lieutenant.
- There was extensive discussion regarding the new ordinance that is being implemented by the County Commissioners. The County Commissioners is looking at taking over the issuance of burn permits rather than it being each Fire district issuing them. Chief Jameson will be attending the upcoming meeting to discuss the issue with the County Commissioners. Chief Jameson is requesting a letter from the Board of Directors addressed to the County Commissioners regarding our opinion and feelings regarding the ordinance.
 - a. * **MSA:** The Board of Directors agreed to write a letter to the County Commissioners regarding the ordinance addressed to the County Commissioners.
- Chief Jameson would like to purchase a large American Flag to hang from the ladder truck during special events.
- There was discussion regarding training on the VHF radio system.

*MSA = Moved, Seconded and Approved (unanimously unless otherwise indicated)

EMT Director's Report:

- We had 13 total calls, 9 were transported to the ER, 4 were refusals or cancelations.
- Training: We met with our new Medical Director Dr. Elias and covered operations and Guidelines.
- We had no major maintenance issues with any of the ambulances.

Administrator's Report:

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Old Business

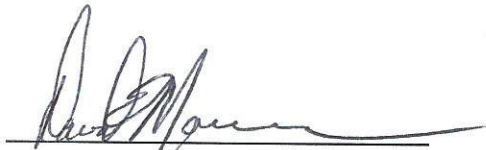
- Director Chimenti updated the Board of Directors on the condition of the roads in Cuchara. We still have not heard anything from the County Commissioners or the OEM regarding the condition of the roads in Cuchara

New Business

- Director Chimenti presented the Board of Directors with a letter regarding the upgrade and additional capability of the Baker Creek Water treatment plant and asked to send a letter of support.
 - * **MSA**: the Board of Directors agreed to send a letter of support to help with their project.

Executive Session – Not needed.

* **MSA**: The meeting adjourned at 19:14



David E. Mower, Secretary