

GENESEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes of March 15, 2023
Board of Directors' Meeting
by Zoom

Board Members in Attendance: Nancy Balter, JP Brewer, Susan Eagle, Patti Harris, Scott Mefford

Board Members Excused: none

Also Attending: Jason Puffett, Christina Jantzeff (by Zoom), Graeme Warner

Call to Order: 18:07 by Director Mefford

Minutes of Prior Meetings:

- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of the February 15, 2023 Board meeting.
- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of the February 3, 2023 Board work session.
- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of the March 10, 2023 Board work session.

Public Comment and Announcements: none

Financial Reports

- **Review of February Financials**
 - The February, 2023 financial report was presented by Christina Jantzeff.
 - A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the year-to-date financials as presented.
- **Review of Notable Payables:** none
- **Audit Update:** field work is in progress

Reports of Officers, Committees, Professional Consultants

- **Wildland Specialist Dorie Dalton's Report** (attached)
- **Training Chief Ryan Babcock's Report** (attached)
- **Deputy Chief Joe Auster's Report** (by Chief Puffett)
 - Apparatus:
 - All in operation; Preventive maintenance next month
 - 954 was in service at a prescribed burn and functioned well
 - New engine is 95% designed
 - Recruiting: no report
 - Facilities: All good. Should be ready to put kitchen out to bid in 7-10 days
 - Medical: big push for CPR training and use of equipment
 - Wildland:
 - sent an engine and crew (including 2 rookies) on a prescribed burn
 - wildland crews and equipment from GFR, Foothills and Evergreen will meet to discuss experiences and learn from each other.
 - Marketing/Branding: on track
 - Auxiliary/Community Liaison: working on Volunteer night March 28.
 - Mental Health Coordinator:
 - Graeme Warner introduced himself and described his duties under this position

- Coordinating with other departments through the Peer Support Team and direct reach out to neighboring Districts and Highlands Rescue.
- Will take advantage of the All Clear Foundation to provide training on mental health topics for current and retired firefighters and spouses.

Old Business

- **Work Session Statement:** Director Eagle will work on final edit

New Business:

- **Wildland Deployment**
 - These deployments provide invaluable wildland fire experience to GFR members at no cost to the department.
 - Before every deployment an assessment is made to assure that GFR is able to fulfill its obligation to provide medical response and effective structural fire protection within the District.
 - The Board encourages and supports out-of-District wildfire deployments

There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 19:00.