

GENESEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Minutes of June 21, 2023
Board of Directors' Meeting

Board Members in Attendance: Nancy Balter, Patti Harris, Scott Mefford

Board Members Excused: JP Brewer

Also Attending: Jason Puffett, Christina Jantzeff (by Zoom), Joe Auster, Dorie Dalton, Justin Shannonhouse

Call to Order: 18:02 by Director Mefford

Minutes of Prior Meetings:

- A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of the May 17, 2023 Board meeting.

Public Comment and Announcements: none

Financial Reports

- **Review of May Financials**
 - The May, 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:**
 - Christina Jantzeff reviewed the findings in the draft Audit Report
 - The audit found no issues
- **Discussion by Board members based on the draft audit report:**
 - The increase in net position in 2022 positions GFPD for upcoming cash outlays for new equipment.
 - The amount of cash on hand reflects 6-9 months of expenses, which is appropriate.

Reports of Officers, Committees, Professional Consultants

- **Wildland Specialist Dorie Dalton's Report**
 - Wildfire Prepared assessments continue.
 - Community Outreach:
 - Dorie has obtained lists of new residents from the Genesee Village and Chimney Creek HOAs. She will give them information about wildfire preparedness, as well as coupon for a free home assessment, good for 6 months
 - has conducted 2 neighborhood walks that were poorly attended
 - Chimney Creek will be completing an application to become a Firewise Community. Dorie is on their Firewise Board
 - Slash drop off will be July 15 and 29. Elk Mountain will do the chipping. To meet the requirements of the FACO grant, Dorie has arranged for the chipped material to be dropped off at a Jeffco slash site and from there it will be taken to A1 Organics for recycling. This will be at no charge, and Dorie also got a discount on the dumpster.
- **Deputy Chief Joe Auster's Report**
 - 112 calls to date; good response times and participation. Training hours are impressive.
 - **Apparatus:**
 - UL testing completed
 - **Recruiting:**

- 3 recruits training in the Academy at Evergreen Fire.
- inquiries from 3-4 potential recruits

- **Facilities:**
 - All good
 - Ryan's office repainted
- **Medical:**
 - Several trainings a month are offered.
- **Wildland:**
 - things are quiet right now but growth of grasses due to the rain is concerning
 - apparatus is stashed for calls
- **Marketing/Branding:**
 - 50th anniversary logo is great
 - Departmental celebration and thank you lunch occurred last week
- **Auxiliary:**
 - Autism trainings continue and have been very well received.
 - Blood drive will be Saturday. Good participation.
- **Mental Health Coordinator:**
 - Graehm Warner is working on an initiative.

Old Business

- **Emergency Access Road update:**
 - A meeting with Jeffco Planning and Zoning went well and they are very supportive.
 - Once an easement is signed between Genesee Foundation and GFR, the permitting process can begin. Negotiations are underway for the easement. Once the terms are agreed upon, the easement process with GWSD will begin.
- **Staffing Update:**
 - 3 applicants for the position of Training and Administrative Coordinator. Interviews will begin soon.

New Business: none

There being no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 19:18.