

Delta County Fire Protection District No. 4  
Minutes of the January 8, 2024, Board Meeting

Call to Order at 6:33 pm

Members Present: Bill Long, Dan Miller, Kathy Welt, Cresta Pene

Other Attendees: Diane Walker, Wyatt Wilson

Doug Fritz sent his report by email as he is at the winter academy

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

The minutes of the December 11, 2023, board meeting were read and approved on a motion from Kathy Welt and seconded by Cresta Pene.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Checking Account:	\$ 34,338.05
Special Projects Checking Account:	\$ 5,764.85
Bonds/CDs:	\$803,230.80
Firemen's Fund:	\$ 4,023.61

Dan Miller made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Kathy Welt seconded, and the motion passed. The credit card bill and the bills paid since the last meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion from Cresta Pene and seconded by Kathy Welt.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Received a check from Delta Cleaners to pay for the lost Santa suits.

**FIRE CHIEF AND OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

**Fires and other calls:** 1 call – RV fire that was attached to home on Hotchkiss Ave.

**Equipment:** Completed several battery replacements, snow tires purchased and swapped on the SUVs, Engine 10 has new tires. Repaired two leaky valves on E4's pump. Ladder 1's shoreline battery charging system was replaced. We were given one or two 4 gas meters from MSA; the second one hasn't arrived yet.

**Training:** Seven people that are HFD and SWIMT members are attending the winter academy as students or trainees; and six more SWIMT members are attending. Classes throughout the spring are being scheduled, including wildfire, ICS, traffic safety, and firefighting. The live fire trailer will be here in August again.

Doug delivered a traffic safety class to DCAD in December.

**Personnel:** Ryan Alford has joined the department. We're getting an unemployment claim from one of our volunteers/CERFers and we've denied it; nothing has been heard back.

**Grants:** Working on new grants – SAFER grant is in the works with 10 other departments across Colorado to provide health insurance assistance to firefighters; another department is in charge of managing the grant. Health and Safety grant has been applied for to purchase PPE.

**Building Maintenance:** No report.

**Subdivisions:** No report.

**Other:** About \$75K is still owed to one CERFer. Two payments just came in. All three of these are from 2023 assignments. We did well in 2023 on income.

Doug is on a state-wide committee discussing the next 5 years for DFPC; Doug was appointed by local DFPC staff to represent our region.

We took the expanded A&D policy and paid for one year; price is guaranteed for 3 years.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT: No report.

OLD OR CONTINUED BUSINESS:

Pension Board: We need to find out who can log into the Raymond James account.

5 Year Plan: Capital Improvement Plan – Need a new plan for 2024.

1 Year Plan: Refinance mortgage – Doug recently contacted Matt Sullivan with Government Capital Corporation about refinancing the mortgage and the pumper truck loans. Bill Long, Dan Miller, and Diane Walker will follow through.

Other: Resolution 2024-01 Designating Location to Post Notice was approved and signed.

The revised 2024 budget with the new property tax amount was reviewed – Dan Miller made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-02 to revise the 2024 revised budget as presented, Cresta Pene seconded, and the motion passed.

Bill Long made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-03 to set the mill levies for the year 2024, Cresta Pene seconded, and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Purchase Requests: No report.

Other: No report.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Future fire board meetings:

March 11

April 8

May 13