

Delta County Fire Protection District No. 4
Minutes of the February 12, 2024, Board Meeting

Call to Order at 6:44 pm

Members Present: Bill Long, Dan Miller, Kathy Welt, Cresta Pene, Zach Hotchkiss
Fire Chief: Doug Fritz
Secretary/Treasurer: Diane Walker

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

The minutes of the January 8, 2024, board meeting were read and approved on a motion from Cresta Pene and seconded by Dan Miller.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Checking Account:	\$ 22,963.91
Special Projects Checking Account:	\$ 5,764.85
Bonds/CDs:	\$803,241.14
Firemen's Fund:	\$ 4,023.61

Dan Miller made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Cresta Pene 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 Zach Hotchkiss and seconded by Cresta Pene.

CORRESPONDENCE: North Fork EMS Health and Safety Fair on March 23 – we made a \$250 donation and we are a sponsor.

Cowboy Collectibles complained about having to pay for removal of the burned-down trailer in the lot across from City Market because they thought we paid to haul away the burned trailer by 133BRGR.

The state accepted the submitted 2024 budget.

FIRE CHIEF AND OFFICERS' REPORTS:

Fires and other calls: 8 calls – Alarm call at Gambles II, semi stuck in the road by City Market, car wreck, semi wreck on Highway 133, tractor fire, boiler explosion on Knob Hill, gas leak on Spurlin Mesa, burn pile on county trimmings.

Equipment: Second battery needed to be replaced on the ladder truck.

Training: Successful winter academy in January – 4 people that belong to the department and to the SWIMT went; refresher training last Monday and most everyone attended.

Personnel: Picked up a new CERFer – Craig Hall flies airplanes.

Grants: Niki got the newest Health & Safety grant applied for where she asked for 20 sets of PPE for wildland. FEMA said we were delinquent with the air pack grant but we weren't as it had been sent in.

Building Maintenance: Doug replaced the flagpole light today. Lots of lights are out in the bay and we need a ladder to get them replaced.

Subdivisions: Split on 2900 Road and P50 Road.

Other: Doug will be teaching an ICS300 class at the end of March and an ICS400 class in April. People will be going to quite a few classes over the next couple of months.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT: No report.

OLD OR CONTINUED BUSINESS:

Pension Board: We need someone that can log into the pension account. Doug will be going to see Toby King soon about investing cash in the account.

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

1 Year Plan: Refinance mortgage – The refi proposals from GovCap were reviewed and it was decided to wait until interest rates drop. For now we can go to Bank of Colorado to see if they will drop the rate; Doug Fritz and Bill Long will go to the bank tomorrow.

Other: Doug is going to stand down as coordinator for the SWIM team.

NEW BUSINESS:

Purchase Requests: No report.

Other: Bill Long and Diane Walker signed the 2023 audit agreement from Soronen, Donley, Patterson.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Future fire board meetings:

April 8

May 13

June 10