

**Gunnison County Fire Protection District**  
**Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**August 15, 2024**

**I. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Dennis Spritzer. Meeting was held upstairs in the meeting room at the Fire House.

The following board members were present: Dennis Spritzer, Heath Smith and Paul Morgan. Mark Selkee via zoom.

Board Accountant present: Tom Stoeber

Board Secretary present: Deborah Ferchau via zoom

Fire Marshal/Chief present: Hugo Ferchau via zoom

Fleet Maintenance Manager present: Tom McDonough

Maintenance Technician present: Not present.

The following firemen were present: None.

Others: None.

**II. Minutes:**

The minutes from the July 18, 2024 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Morgan and seconded by Selkee to approve the July 18, 2024 regular meeting minutes with typos corrected. Motion passed unanimously.

**III. Financial Report:**

Stoeber handed out the financial report through July, 2024. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Morgan to approve the financial report. Motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Bills:**

Stoeber handed out the bills packet. The bills were reviewed and approved. Spritzer asked if they are done purchasing items for the Tenders. McDonough stated that they are close to having both Tenders completely outfitted. McDonough advised the Board that they are working through some issues with an intake valve. H. Ferchau stated that there will be two thermal imagers that will be a part of the items to put on the Tenders. Selkee asked about the cancellation of insurance. H. Ferchau stated that Tribbet is no longer writing commercial policies and we are changing to CIRSA that is better coverage than what we currently have now. Selkee had a question about the bill from Streamline for \$500. H. Ferchau commented that it was a part of the website update to accommodate the mandated ADA requirements. A motion was made by Selkee and

seconded by Smith to approve payment of the bills. Motion passed unanimously. A second motion was made by Smith and seconded by Selkee to transfer \$90,000. Motion passed unanimously.

**V. Correspondence:**

None.

**VI. Old Business:**

- A. **City/District IGA:** Committee will meet next week. 9/5/24.
- B. **Building Committee:** Nothing new to report.
- C. **Truck Committee:** Nothing new to report.
- D. **Election – Mil Levy Increase/New Station (November, 2025):** Nothing new to report.
- E. **Election – City & District:** This is the next step after the mil levy election.

**VII. Fire Marshal's/Chief's Report:**

- A. Spritzer asked if they are having issues with response. H. Ferchau reported that a couple initial responses to minor incidents were a little light, but the second page for those calls brought out the normal higher response.

**VIII. Fleet Maintenance Manager's Report:**

- A. McDonough reported that he is hoping to see the second tender and light rescue by the end of this year. He doesn't know a delivery date for the officer vehicles yet.
- B. McDonough commented that they will be starting pump and hose testing next month.
- C. McDonough advised the Board that during demob Brush 619 was in weed wash, the weed wash personnel left the wand under the truck when they told them to pull up, which blew a tire when they rolled over it.

**IX. New Business:**

- A. Spritzer reported that there will be a Pension Board meeting next Thursday.

**X. Unscheduled Business:**

Morgan asked H. Ferchau if he is good with the school fire suppression system? H. Ferchau stated that he and McDonough met with the Superintendent for this project and went over the project time line. Everything they asked for is on their list. H. Ferchau commented that the superintendent wanted to shut off the sprinkler system in elementary library and common hall areas. Morgan advised H. Ferchau that those areas are closed off to students now. H. Ferchau will give the go ahead if no kids or faculty have access to those areas. H. Ferchau asked Morgan to give his approval to Cody.

**XI. Adjourn:**

A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Morgan to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.