

# Aspen Fire Protection District

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## Board of Directors Regular Meeting January 25, 2018

Meeting called to order at 4:08pm by Karl

### Roll Call:

- Board of Directors: Karl Adam, Denis Murray, John Ward, Stoney Davis, Dave Walbert
- Absent:
- Staff/Volunteers: Rick Balentine, Parker Lathrop, Jan Schubert, Nikki Lapin, Mike Lyons
- Public/Others:

### Approval of Minutes:

**Motion from Denis to approve minutes from Regular Meeting on December 13, 2017. Dave Second. All Approved.**

### Public Comment:

- Mike Lyons: Mike is requesting to be added to agenda for next meeting to discuss petition he is working on to dissolve Aspen Ambulance District. Mike gave an overview of the petition and how it could affect the Aspen Fire Protection District. Karl Adam noted that the board has explored working with Aspen Ambulance in the past and it has become very political. The board is not for or against, but is willing to listen to the public. The board agreed to add Mike to the agenda in February. Rick will talk with Karl Hanlon.

### Good of District:

- AVFD Inc.: Rick invited new President, Josh Burnaman and former President, Mike Haman. Rick thanked Mike for help with clarifying and working on employee handbook.
- Volunteer Disciplinary Committee: This committee was used for first time this year for some volunteers that had not met minimums. This worked out very well.
- 2018 Officer Team: There is a strong group of Captains: Mike Haisfield, Adrian Aguilar, Jason Lasser and Sandy Schiff. The Battalion Chiefs remain the same, Ken Josselyn and Bruce Bradshaw.
- February 7th meeting will be family night. Dinner will be in house.
- New bike program and streets: Parker attended City Council meeting with concerns about one way option the City is proposing. There was preliminary conversation in November. Parker expressed concerns Aspen Fire has. Biggest concern is turning right with apparatus and the safety. Parker will keep board updated.
- July 4<sup>th</sup>: AVFD Inc. is going to change July 4th program. The picnic started out as family and friends. During the opening of the new station, it turned into a public picnic and has continued that way for several years. It has been proposed that it be turned into a block party, similar to the old Smuggler Block parties, that will start at 5:00pm and go until fireworks. This will be a fundraiser for AVFD Inc.
- Starwood Substation: They are changing plans so we will wait on adopting IGA.

### Board Member Comments & Action Items:

- **Motion by John to Adopt Resolution 2018-01-01: Posting of Meetings. Second by Karl, All Approved.**
- **Motion by John to Adopt 2018-01-02: Appointing of Designated Election Official and Authorizing Designated Election Official to Cancel Election. Second by Denis. All Approved.**
- Polling Place vs. Mail Ballot: Nikki gave an overview of polling place vs. mail ballot election. **Motion by Denis to do Mail Ballot. Karl Second. Vote 4-1. Motion passed.**
- Adopt Resolution 2018-01-03: IGA between Starwood Metropolitan District, Starwood Home Owners Association and Aspen Fire Protection District: Postponed until Starwood updates plans.

#### **Financials:**

- Financial Audit: The audit will take place second week in February. When audit is complete, there will be transfer of balance to capital acquisitions of approximately \$140,000. Overall it was a good year.
- Dave commented that he was proud everything stayed very even this year. There was \$62,000 net on wildfire income. The first year Rick was here it was \$5,000. Rick is looking at working on program to bring people in temporarily for wildfire deployment. When they are not out on assignment, they will work on wildfire mitigation.

#### **CEO/Fire Chief**

- Airport MOU: This is moving along. There will be a meeting mid February. Couple weeks ago there was near plane crash and it is believed that is what has sparked discussion finally.
- Auto Aid: With the combining of Snowmass/Basalt, the Chief there is not a fan of auto aid. There will no longer be auto aid between Aspen and Snowmass or Aspen and Basalt. They will call us if needed and we will call them if needed. There is a verbal mutual aid agreement.
- Aspen Village HOA Meeting: Rick attended. It was mentioned that Aspen Fire may add a small unit to station. They were all supportive. It was suggested to put something in Aspen Village monthly flyer to recruit more volunteers.
- AVFD Inc. voted to accept all former Aspen Volunteer Firefighters and non firefighters from Aspen Fire.

**Motion by Karl to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to §24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S. John Second. All Approved.**