

Emery County Fire Protection District Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 21st, 2025

Location: 75 East Main Street, Castle Dale, Utah

Box Conference Room

In Attendance: (Chairman), Stoney Jensen (Elmo), (Cleveland), (Huntington), Bud Hinkins (Orangeville), Randy Kenney (Ferron), Nosh Arrien (Castle Dale), (Emery), (Member at Large), (State Lands), (BLM), (UFRA), Tanya Hibler with UDOT, Commissioner Jordan Leonard and Natalie Olsen.

1. Approval of the December 16th, 2024 meeting:

We did not have a quorum to approve the meeting minutes.

2. Discuss/Approve/Deny Presentation from Tanya Hibler:

Tanya: UDOT has maintenance stations in your jurisdiction and as part of requirements from EPA they require documents filled out and then reviewed by each fire department of that jurisdiction. If you would please do that and then contact Tanya and let her know you did that, it would be appreciated. Her contact information is on the paperwork that she sent to the fire departments.

3. Discuss/Approve/Deny UFRA Comments and Business:

Raleigh: No one present

4. Discuss/Approve/Deny Forestry, Fire, State Lands Comments and Business:

Jeramy: No one present

5. Discuss/Approve/Deny BLM Comments and Business:

Cody: No one present

6. Discuss/Approve/Deny Emery County PC agreement for county:

The hours were sent in. We need to get a website set up to do online, that is them.

Everyone needs to help, not just two or three.

7. Discuss/Approve/Deny Recruitment and Retention Payout:

Jordan: There has been some concern that some cities are putting it in the budget instead of using it for recruitment and retention. We just don't want a good thing to go sour. It has been talked about that cities are not allowing the departments to distribute the funds the way they need to. Mayors and fire departments need to work together and follow the MOU.

It was discussed to draft a letter from the Fire District and send it to each town to thank them for supporting the Fire Department and remind them how to use the recruitment and retention funds.

8. Discuss/Approve/Deny Undistributed Mineral Lease Funds:

The Fire District received \$44,800.00. It will be used for hoses and nozzles. It comes out to \$5,609.00 per department. Thank you to the county for dividing that money amongst the districts.

9. Discuss/Approve/Deny Final Payment of Trucks:

Nosh sent that off today. We were only \$7,000.00 short, which was budgeted for.

10. Discuss/Approve/Deny County Training Committee (Kyla):

Kyla: No one was present

11. Discuss/Approve/Deny Motion to Pay the Bills:

Not enough board members present to make a motion to pay the bills.

12. Citizens Concern:

No one was present.

13. Chiefs Round Table:

Jordan: Thanks for all the work you do.

Randy: They were inputting their paperwork on the FEMA site and the question came up that when they call in to get a case number are they giving the same incident number to all mutual aid? Are they linking that in dispatch? The answer is yes.

Stoney suggested keeping Huntington's Becker as a spare truck for all departments' spare truck in case another truck goes down. Stoney said you would have to overturn the previous vote. It would need to be an agenda item when we have a full board present.

Green River received a donation for \$30,000.00. They will buy some extrication equipment with it.

Nosh said the easiest way to get the gear is to get a CBDG grant through the AOG. You have to do a community survey. You can get the youth city council to help out. They had it done in a couple days.

14. Adjourn:

Not enough present to make a motion to adjourn.