## **Emery County Fire Protection District Meeting Minutes**

Date: April 18, 2022

Location: 75 East Main Street, Castle Dale, Utah

**Box Conference Room** 

<u>In Attendance:</u> Ignacio Arien, Chase Majors, Ben Lehnhoff, Richard (Scott) McClaughry, Del Mead, Britni Moreno, Stoney Jensen, Tracey Addley, Brian (with Weidner Fire), Aaron Ford (Super vac), Raleigh Bunch (UFRA), Jan Olsen assistant Secretary.

Ignacio called the meeting to order.

- **1. Public Hearing** to receive public comment regarding the permanent Community Impact Board (CIB) Application for funding for the purchase of four (4) Fire Trucks for Emery County. This application will require a bond component. Emery County's request will be for a 50% grant, 50% of the total cost of four Fire Trucks. Stoney made a motion to open a public hearing to receive public comment regarding the funding from the CIB for 4 Fire Trucks, Chase seconded the motion. No public comment made. Chase made a motion to close the public hearing with no public comment. Scott seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.
- **2. Approval of minutes for March, 2022.** Scott made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes, Dell seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously.
- 3. UFRA comments and business. Raleigh reporting on Regional Fire School. We had to cancel 2 classes, one on Saturday morning, the Live Fire class from 8:00-12:00 and the Search and Rescue from 1:00-5:00 due to low class volume. Thursday afternoon Britni will oversee the Fairground road being closed by placing Cones. He also reported a change in administration, Gil Rodriguez is now the assistant director. Mark Mackolrie will be over operations he will come and introduce himself in the near future. Set up a flash over on August 24th with Britni from 6:00-10:00p.m.. She will email Raleigh by the end of the week with details on props. Also, anyone interested in attending a Mental Health Summit on May 9, it is being offered.
- 4. State Fire Marshal's Office comments and business. No one present.
- 5. Forestry, Fire and State Lands comments & business. No one present.

- 6. BLM comments and business. No one present
- 7. Weidner, Fire SCBA Flow Testing update, Ignacio has signed the SCBA contract. He will get in touch with Alec who will be doing the testing on all the SCBA's and compressors. It will most likely be done in June. He will get Alec's information out to all Fire Chiefs to make arrangements for testing.
- 8. Scene Light Update. As soon as they come, Ignacio will get them distributed out.
- **9. Fan Presentation.** We had two demonstrations last month and Weidner is doing another presentation tonight presented by Brian with Aaron Ford 's assistance. Aaron demonstrated the Milwaukee version. He asked if we had evaluated Cost of ownership of the Tempest Fan versus the Milwaukee fan. He suggested some things to consider before making a decision: What is the Warranty of the proprietary battery, cost of ownership, replacement parts and how quickly we can get it. The proprietary battery is very expensive, you could purchase 4-5 replacement batteries at the same time a one proprietary battery. He sells Milwaukee, Makita, Dewalt batteries with the fan but doesn't need to be purchased through the supplier. There is a 3-year warranty on the batteries and motor, 5-year warranty on the remainder of the fan. Run time of batteries depends on variables, altitude, amps. Aaron believes his fan is easier to maneuver, can push or pull and does not need to be carried with a shoulder strap. Also, this fan has positive and negative 90% of rotation. It also takes 1-1  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours to charge versus 6 hours for the Tempest fan. When purchasing the fan, you have to choose which battery platform you want (flex bolt platform). Color indicator showing battery life. He feels the features and benefits of his fan outweigh that of the Tempest fan. Best to cycle the batteries once a month.
- **10. Discuss and vote on fans.** Cost differences presented by Ignacio. Superior equipment quote for the Super vac fan w/ 18" proprietary battery \$4,725.00 for total cost \$38,250.00. Weidner cost \$4,699.00 for a total cost of \$37,592.00. Dell has some Dewalt batteries we can purchase if we choose this fan. Chase made a motion to accept the bid from Weidner Fire the 18" fans with Fire Chiefs' choice of Makita or Dewalt battery. Britni seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously. Dell made a motion to go with the Dewalt battery, Scott seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously. There is a 14-week lead time to be shipped to Huntington Fire Station.
- **11. Fire Truck Replacement Project. Phase 2 Update.** Going forward, everything looks great. They will give 3 weeks notice for those that want to go.
- **12. Fire Truck Replacement Project. Phase 3 Update.** We just had the voting for the CIB. As soon as Ignacio gets the minutes, he will fill out the application and send it in.

We are waiting on a rating. Getting an application next month and getting ready for June.

- **13. Motion to pay bills.** Chase made a motion to pay bills, Ben seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously.
- **14. Chief's Round Table.** Ignacio has a concern for Orangeville's Fire Chief, whether it will be Mike or Tracey. Tracey said he will be present. Scott still has a lot of Class A foam to share. End of May coming down with the Drive Simulator to Emery, there will be 16 spots open to fill. Dell needs help for repair of the Becker truck, it has a water leak and needs repair. Group discussion on personal repair. We have so much money put aside to fix trucks, but it has to be discussed and prioritized. Britni UFRA is teaching fire fundamentals class the last Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m.for all that want to attend. A change in the date for the firefighter Games set tentatively for the last Saturday of August 27th, 2022, Britni will verify and report.

15. Citizens' concerns.