

Western Hills Fire Protection District

Regular Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2023

1. **Call to Order:** 5:30 p.m.

2. **Attendance:**

Board Members: Kris Knez, Calven Goza, Don Steinmetz Jr.

Absent: Bill McDonnell, Greg Johnson

Also present: Chief Brian Kuznik, Deputy Chief Jeff Stranahan,
Janice Perekrestenko

Guest: None

3. **Changes in Agenda:** None

4. **Fire Department Report:**

Staffing: Four recruits graduated from the Academy on May 28th.
Posted for Lateral Firefighter hiring opportunity. Applicants will
be added to a hiring list for the next 12-18 months. Collective
Bargaining agreement is close to being approved (2024-2026)

Stampede: Fire Department personnel will be staffing the events.

Incidents: Pallet fire incident – likely caused by over-drying/curing of the
pallets. The Evans Fire Chief conducted the fire investigation.
Flooding - 37th St between 65th & Two Rivers Parkway.

Calls	2023 WH	2023 City	2022 WH	2022 City
January	38	1,405	50	1,443
February	37	1,315	40	1,204
March	52	1,489	45	1,289
1st Quarter	127	4,209	135	3,936
April	42	1,451	50	1,333
May	51	1,562	48	1,392
June			49	1,485
2nd Quarter			147	4,210
July			57	1,619
August			42	1,581
September			53	1,434
3rd Quarter			152	4,634
October			35	1,460
November			35	1,400
December			19	1,800
4th Quarter			89	4,660
Year to Date	220	7,220	504	17,470

5. **Minutes:** May 2023 Regular Meeting
Motion to accept May 2023 Minutes as presented.
(Goza/Steinmetz) 3-0 Approved

6. **Financials:**

- A. Bills May 2023
Motion to accept Bills Paid in May 2023 as presented.
(Steinmetz/Goza) 3-0 Approved
- B. Statement of Changes as of May 2023
Motion to accept Statement of Changes as presented.
(Goza/Steinmetz) 3-0 Approved
- C. Journal Entries for May 2023
Motion to accept Journal Entries for May 2023
(Goza/Steinmetz) 3-0 Approved
- D. Weld County Treasurer Report – no formal action
- E. Closing Checklist May 2023
Motion to accept Closing Checklist as corrected.
(Steinmetz/Goza) 3-0 Approved

7. **Old Business:**

- A. ROW Easement – no update on the request.
- B. Website Redesign –
The vendor, Streamline is working with Janice on the development of the new website.

8. **New Business:**

- A. Lawn Care, Landscaping, Fencing, Signage - tabled
- B. Apparatus
Ch. Kuznik gave an overview of how the apparatus replacement plan works. In the original agreement, specific rolling stock units were designated as Western Hills property. Those units have aged out of service. (20-year service life) 12 years of front-line operation and 8 years of reserve operation until the unit is replaced. The proceeds of those sales were received by the district.

The current service agreement annual cost funds apparatus replacement. The Current design/build process for a fire engine is a two- to three-year process. A new

engine is approximately \$1,000,000 and the equipment adds another \$200,000 to the cost. The service level provided by Greeley Fire to the District exceeds the response level of other surrounding departments. The funding formula needs to be reviewed for appropriate levels of funding.

9. **Oral or Written Suggestions from the Board or Taxpayers:** None

10. **Adjourn:**

Acting President Knez declared the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Regular Meeting(s) and Proposed Agenda Items

Date	Time	Agenda Items
07/10/2023	5:30 p.m.	
08/14/2023	5:30 p.m.	
09/11/2023	5:30 p.m.	

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Perekrestenko, Recording Secretary

William McDonnell, Board President