

Special Meeting
April 10, 2015

Barry Cole called the special meeting of the Deer Mountain Fire Protection District to order at 1500 hours at the Deer Mountain Community Center.

Present were Barry Cole, Mark Matthews, Karen McKee, Skip Moreau, Joe Watts, Mark Matthews, and several citizens.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss:

1. Building Committee- Joe has an architect from Salida that will do the architectural drawings needed to pursue bids from builders. The cost for this service is \$5,000 and will not include blueprints. Karen mentioned that the district has \$25,000 carried forward from last year's budget and approximately \$16,000 in revenue from the brush trucks. The district will have to amend the budget to allocate these funds. Karen made a motion that the building committee proceeds with getting schematic drawings from Keith Helmstetler at the cost of up to \$5000 and this will be paid from the carry forward funds that have not been allocated. Skip 2nd the motion. With Joe abstaining motion carries.
2. Future of Fire & EMS operations in Cotopaxi and Indian Springs- Skip spoke with Jim in regards to staying on with CFR for at least another 3-4 months to help with rebuilding Fire/Medical services in Cotopaxi. Pete brought up a point about CFR being its own entity and possibly looking into renaming CFR- Station 2 and Indian Springs- Station 3. DMFPD can have all areas under one umbrella managed by the Station 1 Chief. Joe would be responsible for management of fire services for the entire district to include Cotopaxi and Indian Springs while Vickie would be responsible for management of ambulance services. Barry made a motion that DMFPD appoints Station 1 Chief Joe Watts as general manager in charge of Cotopaxi and Indian Springs Fire Department that will be restructured as Station 2 and Station 3 respectively. Vickie Cline (EMS Captain) will be in charge of managing the district's medical services. The district will give Jim Otis the option of resigning or help Joe in whatever capacity he can. Joe is granted access to the CFR building effective immediately. Karen 2nd the motion. With Joe abstaining motion carries.

Vickie was approached by concerned citizens regarding home insurance increases if CFR is unable to provide fire protection. The board clarified that the district has an obligation to provide fire and medical services for Cotopaxi and Indian Springs. The citizens need to be reassured that CFR is not disbanding, but going through a reorganization and coverage will not be disrupted.

Mark made a motion to adjourn special meeting and Barry 2nd the motion. Meeting is adjourned at 1539 hours.

Maria Matthews

Secretary