



SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
DE BEQUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DE BEQUE FIRE STATION
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Pursuant to notice, the special board meeting of the De Beque Fire Protection District was called to order by President Annette Tanner at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 14, 2023.

OPEN WITH PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Cynthia Farris, present; Melanie Hansen, present; Dustin Koehler, present; Maria Ramthun, present; Annette Tanner, present; A quorum was present and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed.

OTHERS PRESENT: Forest Matis, De Beque District Fire Chief; Lieutenant Nathan Voorhees; Secretary Kim Latham.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- 1) There were no additions or deletions to the Agenda.
- 2) Motion was made by Board Vice President Maria Ramthun and seconded by Board Member Cindy Farris to approve the Agenda as presented. **Vote:** Cynthia Farris, aye; Melanie Hansen, aye; Dustin Koehler, aye; Maria Ramthun, aye; Annette Tanner, aye. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Ramp Credit Card Approval. Secretary Latham and Chief Matis reported the issues we are having with our current credit card company and the issues we are having with the card the Board voted to move to at the last Board meeting. There are issues with the cards that don't work for the teams when they are on deployment. The Ramp card is favorable because it does not require the Board President or other card holders to personally guarantee the card, has variable purchase controls that can be implemented on the cards, has the same cash back reward amounts, connects with receipt submission, and requires the balance be paid off each month, ensuring no carryover debt to the District. Discussion ensued. It is affiliated with two banks: The Celtic Bank in Salt Lake City and the Sutton Bank in Ohio. It is covered under FDIC and is a VISA platform. Motion was made by Board President Annette Tanner and seconded by Board Member Cindy Farris to approve the Agenda as presented. **Vote:** Cynthia Farris, aye; Melanie Hansen, aye; Dustin Koehler, aye; Maria Ramthun, aye; Annette Tanner, aye. Motion passed.
- 2) Resolution 2023-12 – Colotrust Resolution - authorizing DFPD to join with other local governments as a Participant in the Colotrust Local Government Liquid Asset Trust to pool funds for investment. At the August 8, 2023 regular Board meeting the Board voted to open



a Colotrust account and move some of our monies over to that account to earn more interest monies. Colotrust requires a DFPD BOD Resolution to open the account. Motion was made by Board Member Cindy Farris and seconded by Board Member Dusty Koehler to approve Resolution 2023-12 to open a Colotrust account. **Vote:** Cynthia Farris, aye; Melanie Hansen, aye; Dustin Koehler, aye; Maria Ramthun, aye; Annette Tanner, aye. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:


- 1) Lieutenant Voorhees reported that the Town of De Beque is replacing their police vehicles. He would like to look into the possibility of purchasing one as an additional vehicle for the District for a training vehicle. Chief Matis agreed that it would be a good idea to look into the possibility. It would be good to have another vehicle available that is based out of the station.
- 2) Lieutenant Voorhees reported that we need to begin looking for a replacement vehicle for Squad 2, which is the Chief's current vehicle. Squad 2 is pushing 200,000 miles and we have had an uptake in R&M costs associated with the vehicle. Chief Matis agreed that Squad 2 will need to be replaced but would like the current ambulance to be the first replacement priority.

BOARD COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Board President Annette Tanner and seconded by Board Secretary Melanie Hansen to adjourn the meeting. **Vote:** Cynthia Farris, aye; Melanie Hansen, aye; Dustin Koehler, aye; Maria Ramthun, aye; Annette Tanner, aye. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Next regular meeting: September 12, 2023

Approved by the De Beque Fire Protection Board of Directors on September 12, 2023.



Annette Tanner, President





Melanie Hansen, Secretary

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