

**Ridgway Fire Protection District
Regular Meeting
December 16, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 5:04 pm by Board Chair Christen Williams, at the Ridgway Fire Department located at 251 N. Railroad Street, Ridgway, Colorado. Also, in attendance were Board Members Pam Kraft, Terry Schuyler, Jamie Gomez, and Adam Johnson (via phone); ex-officio Board Member Chris Bolane; District Chief Chris Miller; District Administrator Katy LaSala; and Legal Counsel Bo Nerlin.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA INCLUDING ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

No changes to the agenda were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board consideration of the minutes of the 11/18/24 monthly meeting

- ❖ MOTION by Schuyler to approve the 11/18/24 minutes as presented. SECOND by Kraft. ALL IN FAVOR.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Board discussion of the 11/16/24 – 12/9/24 financial report

- ❖ MOTION by Schuyler to approve the 11/16/24-12/9/24 financial report as presented. SECOND by Kraft. ALL IN FAVOR.

Request to transfer funds from the CSB CD to the Alpine Checking account to cover capital outlay expenses involving the 22327 Hwy 550 lease purchase

- ❖ MOTION by Kraft to transfer \$53,326.25 from the CSB CD to the Alpine Checking account to cover capital outlay expenses involving the 22327 Hwy 550 lease purchase. SECOND by Schuyler. ALL IN FAVOR.

OLD BUSINESS

Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a) regarding the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real property, to discuss the possible sale of RFPD property located at Lot 26-B1, Trail Town Subdivision

(corrected from the original language stating the discussion was regarding the 22327 Hwy 550 property)

- ❖ MOTION by Schuyler to enter into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a) regarding the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real property, to discuss the possible sale of RFPD property located in the Ridgway USA subdivision. SECOND by Kraft. ALL IN FAVOR.

The Board entered into executive session at 5:43 pm.

The Board exited the executive session at 5:59 pm.

- ❖ MOTION by Schuyler to authorize the Board Chair to negotiate and enter into a one-year listing agreement with Charles Mueller and Kathy Redmond at Ridgway Real Estate for the property located at Lot 26-B1, Trail Town Subdivision. SECOND by Gomez. ALL IN FAVOR.

Board update regarding the financing of the 22327 Highway 550 Training and Maintenance Center with Community Leasing Partners

Nerlin and Williams noted that all documents have been signed, and monies have been funded. No action regarding the discussion was taken.

Board discussion and adoption of the 2025 Budget

- ❖ MOTION by Schuyler to adopt the 2025 Budget as amended to include the label "*Training Center Lease Purchase*" on lines 50503, 50504, and 50505. SECOND by Johnson. ALL IN FAVOR.

Board update on progress concerning Chief evaluation questions

Bolane noted that he and Chief Miller have met and discussed an outline of the Chief's Evaluation. They are not finished but continuing to work on it. No action was taken.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Miller presented a document listing the year-to-date calls and attendance by RFD members, current training including a live fire training that occurred at the beginning of the month, and projects that he and his officers are presently working on.

Chief Miller also stated that Ridgway Fire has signed an MOU with OCEMS, the Log Hill Fire Protection District, and the Ouray Fire Protection District/Ouray Volunteer Fire Department to have the RFPD on-shift Captain respond to all OCEMS medical calls as OCEMS currently needs manpower due to volunteer staffing issues. The Captains are not dedicated to these calls and will not be transporting patients unless a situation arises where OCEMS does not have a driver and the Captain has been approved by OCEMS to do so.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION TO ADJOURN

- ❖ MOTION by Kraft to Adjourn until 1/20/25. Second by Johnson. ALL IN FAVOR.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:02.

Respectively Submitted,
-Katy LaSala