



# *Durango Fire Protection District*

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**Minutes of the  
DFPD Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, July 27, 2021 7:30 a.m.  
DFPD Station One**

President Kathy Morris called to order the Regular Meeting of the Durango Fire Protection District Board of Directors at 7:27 a.m. Board members present for the Call to Order were Wayne Barger, Jerry Martinez, John Dezendorf, Lyle McKnight, and Patti Zink who attended online. Staff members included Chief Hal Doughty, Deputy Chief Randy Black, Battalion Chief Mike Krupa, Fire Marshal Karola Hanks, Finance Director Eric Baker, Facilities and Fleet Director Jim Applegate, and Administrative Assistant Katie Pounds. Legal Counsel Bud Smith was also in attendance. Board Member Matt Leeder was excused from the meeting.

President Morris opened the meeting at 0727.

AGENDA: Additions, Deletions:

*A motion was made by Lyle McKnight to approve the agenda, seconded by Wayne Barger. Motion carried unanimously.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

• June 22, 2021 Regular Meeting

*A motion was made by Jerry Martinez to approve the June 22, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented, seconded by Lyle McKnight. Motion carried unanimously.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

No announcements or presentations.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment.

REPORTS:

Legal Counsel Report: Bud Smith reported that a contract was sent to the Durango School District 9-R for review to purchase the School District 9-R building for the new Downtown Station. Bud Smith reported that Deputy Chief Black has been working with Northwest Pipeline to resolve the issue of their fire protection. Bud Smith also reported that the city, county and DFPD are considering to create an authority for the purpose of fire mitigation through water shed protection programs. Bud Smith is looking to have a meeting with the city to form an agreement in hopes to present it to the DFPD Board. There was discussion concerning available grant money for DFPD to possibly use in this fire mitigation effort and for DFPD to build the framework for said future authority.

Financial Report: Eric Baker presented the June 2021 financial statement. There was discussion concerning the purchase of the Durango School District 9-R building for the new Downtown Station.

*A motion was made by Jerry Martinez to approve the June 2021 Financial Report as given by Finance Director Eric Baker, seconded by Wayne Barger. Motion carried unanimously.*

Chief's Report:

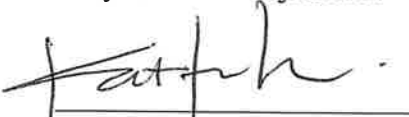
OLD BUSINESS

- Training Facility Update: Chief Doughty reported that we are waiting on the final bill from FCI concerning construction of the Training Facility. Since FCI constructed the Training Facility under budget and before the deadline, Chief Doughty reported that he'd like to give 50% of the money saved back to FCI.
- Impact Fees Update: Chief Doughty reported that the County Commission has decided to wait until the first of the year 2022 to vote on the Chief's Impact Fee proposal.
- Downtown Station: Chief Doughty reported that the attorney of the Durango School District 9-R has been given a draft of a purchase agreement. There was discussion concerning land subdivision and how it will affect the time frame of closing on the piece of property. Chief Doughty reported that he would like to move forward with hiring a contractor to do a site assessment which may need to happen before the purchase of the property.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion of Architectural Services for Downtown Station: Chief Doughty asked for the Board's approval to move forward in signing a contract with architect Tracy Reynolds to begin drawing up plans for the new Downtown Station. *A motion was made by Wayne Barger to approve signing a contract with Reynolds Ash and Associates to design the new Downtown Station, seconded by Jerry Martinez. Motion carried unanimously.*

Jerry Martinez adjourned the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

  
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Kathleen Morris, President

8/24/21  
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Date

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Katie Pounds, Administrative Assistant