**CACHE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**APRIL 25, 2023**

The Cache County Fire District Board convened in a regular session on APRIL 25, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in the Cache County Historic Courthouse, County Council Conference Room, 199 North Main, Logan, Utah.

# ATTENDANCE

**Fire District Board Members in Attendance: Advisory Members in Attendance:**

David Zook – County Executive Rod Hammer – Cache County Fire Chief

David Erickson – County Council

Kathryn Beus – Cache County Council

**Advisory Members Absent:**

Dirk Anderson – Chief Deputy County Executive

Greg Jorgenson - Cache Fire Chiefs Association

**Others in Attendance:**

Tara Taylor – Minutes

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

David Zook called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

1. **ITMES OF BUSINESS**

1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – APRIL 25, 2023**

**ACTION:** **Motion was made by David Zook and seconded by Kathryn Beus to approve the agenda for APRIL 25, 2023 as written.**

## B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - FEBRUARY 28, 2023

**ACTION:** **Motion was made by** **Kathyrn Beus and seconded by David Zook to approve the minutes of FEBRUARY 28, 2023 as written.**

**3. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

## Valor Award Presentation

Valor awards were presented to the individuals that were involved in the recent house explosion event. The awards were presented during the city council meetings. The award is a plaque with their name, date, and incident name. Valor means “Risking Your Life to Save a Life.”

## Surplus Vehicles

Old engine in Smithfield will be trading out for 2001 engine. Getting rid of the 1989 engine. Surplus two of the1996 engines. That leaves one training engine and one back up engine. The Tahoe that was inherited by the Sherriff’s office, Wellsville using it for a medical squad. Wellsville fire has asked if it could be given to them as command vehicle. It’s not worth much, if not used it would go to surplus. Zook and Beus responded that it would be fine for Wellsville Fire to use it as a command vehicle.

## Engine 20 Repair Status

Engine 20 is being still being repaired. The frame is still being straightened, motor back in this week, and all parts have been received. The estimated cost is still $65000. Zook question if county insurance is covering, Amy Adams said yes. Also question was the other involved party’s insurance coverage.

## Firefighters in North Cache County

Hammer presented a video showing the difference in present household materials, and the speed of a flashover fire. The purpose of this video is to reinstate the importance of having emergency responders on the north end of the county. A request of having 2 firefighters during the day at the Richmond Fire Dept. There are a number of businesses in the area, Pepperidge Farm, Casper’s Ice Cream, IFA, …to name a few. Either have the firefighters be full time or part time. Hammer feels that Cache County Fire District should provide services for everyone in the county. Smithfield would pay for the building use and the county would pay for the personnel. There could be the use of the ARPA funds. There was a comparison to the staff and funds at the Mendon and Hyrum stations to what would be considered for the staffing up north. David Erickson mentioned and shared his concerns with the relationship with Smithfield City. Hammer will set up a meeting with Erickson.

### Fire District

Discussed with D. Proposal for 2 firefighters in North Cache County. It was suggested to have an attorney present at the next meeting to understand and know legality of the proposal.

### ARPA Funds

Discussed with D. Proposal for 2 firefighters in North Cache County

## Other

Hammer mentioned that there will be a Caption promotion in two weeks. Promoting two individuals for station leadership. There will be no new hires, it would be a promotion for two individuals. It is already in the budget.

Hammer mentioned that there will be an Emergency Vehicle Operation (EVO) training to all departments that have equipment. The training will also go over how to document an incident. Zook suggest that all driver have this training. It should become a policy to have EVO if an individual is operating a vehicle.

Hammer will be attending the Council meeting tonight, April 25th, to discuss contract for two individuals to be hired for Hyrum Fire.

### 4. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m

Next meeting