

Mosier Fire District Capital Advisory Subcommittee Meeting
Mosier Fire Hall on Washington St.

DATE: January 23, 2014
9:30 a.m.

MEMBERS: Ken Hudson, Pete Wright, Craig Funk
STAFF: Fire Chief Jim Appleton, Recorder Tracie Hornung
Absent: Excused: Public:

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order by Craig Funk at 9:37 a.m.

It was informally agreed that the Capital Advisory Subcommittee meetings will be limited to 90 minutes to 2 hours.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS – Craig Funk noted that the issue of insurance, brought up at the previous meeting by Pete Wright, should be added to the agenda. It was added to agenda item #3, and a discussion followed on the need to consider ISO standards when discussing the purchasing of apparatus and how it relates to the District’s insurance costs.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Member Hudson made a motion to approve the January 8, 2014, minutes. Subcommittee Member Wright seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

1. Hudson update from previous Fire District Board Meeting

Hudson said that he told the Fire District Board at its January 9 meeting what had been discussed at the previous Subcommittee meeting.

2. Review Mission Statement and Goals

Board Member Funk handed out a draft worksheet called “Mosier Fire District Matrix.” He read aloud the Subcommittee’s approved Mission Statement and Goals. He asked if the rest of the Subcommittee believed the goals had been considered in their previous meeting discussions. Hudson and Wright agreed that they had been.

3. Finalize district apparatus inventory by apparatus type, total gallon needed, size of fire department, ISO standards

Wright, noting the City of Mosier Feasibility Analysis that Chief Appleton emailed to the Subcommittee the night before this meeting, said he thought it would be a good idea to figure out a budget for apparatus first before discussing the possibility of building a new fire station. Various scenarios for financing apparatus and a new fire station were discussed. Funk asked Hudson where the conversation with the Mosier Fire District Board had been heading on the idea

of a new fire station. Hudson said personally he thought it was a high priority because the District needs a station that can adequately house apparatus.

A discussion followed on which apparatus purchases were considered high priority. Appleton said he believed a tender was the highest. Hudson and Wright said they were concerned about a large rig such as that on the District's narrow and steep roads. Also discussed was the water carrying capacity of various apparatus and ISO standards regarding water. Another discussion ensued on the feasibility of retrofitting one of the existing rigs with an automatic transmission to make it safer and more "user-friendly." Funk cautioned against building apparatus for just the existing situation noting that, in a few years, possibly all new people could be driving them. Appleton said he would send an email to the Subcommittee members with links to various commercial dealers of firefighting vehicles so that they could get an idea of costs. Funk asked Appleton if building a new fire station is approved by the District Board when could it be completed? Appleton said that if the process began immediately, groundbreaking could potentially occur in 18 months. Possible methods for financing the station were discussed.

Funk asked for a consensus on a list of priority apparatus. Working through the matrix that he handed out earlier in the meeting, **the following list was agreed to by unanimous consensus:**

- 1) A Type 5 or 6 Brush Unit**
- 2) Retrofit T85 with an automatic transmission**
- 3) Eventually purchase a newer tender with 2,000-3,000 gallon capacity**
- 4) Replace E86**

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2014

Attest:

Craig Funk, Subcommittee Chair

Tracie Hornung, Recorder