

Hot Sulphur Springs Parshall FPD
March 12th, 2025
Regular Board of directors meeting*

**Due to COVID-19 Protocols, this meeting was conducted via Zoom video conferencing*

Present: Marco DeAndrea; Michael Gallegos; Mike Thompson; Meredith Howe; Tom Baumgarten

Approval of minutes January (No Quorum in February)

Michael Gallegos made a motion to approve January minutes, Marco DeAndrea seconded, all in favor, Motion carried. January Minutes approved

Approval of January Treasures report (No quorum in February)

Meredith Howe made a motion to approve January Treasures report, Micheal Gallegos seconded, all in favor, Motion carried. January treasurers report approved

Approval of February Treasures report

Marco DeAndrea made a motion to approve the February Treasures report, Michael Gallegos seconded, all in favor, Motion carried. February treasurers report approved.

Chiefs Report -We have been working with our new volunteer getting her familiar with the department and tasks. She will be a good asset to have in Parshall. Also, have some new lockers put in over there to accommodate her and 2 others if we get them in the future. Not sure as to when the digging will begin in Parshall to correct the freezing issue, but it is starting to dry out. Xcel Energy will also be scheduled to come over and move the meter to the correct location on the building instead of in the front of the driveway to prevent it from getting hit. 288 will be going back to DFPC. It is all stripped down and they will be picking it up next week. Bittersweet to see it go, but happy to see another department get the equipment they need. Town has been in contact about HSS Days. After the parade, there will be a touch a truck event for the community. Forest service, Sheriffs Office, EMS have committed. Toni reached out to Northern Colorado Med-Evac and has requested a flight to land for the event. It is on their calendar; we are just waiting for confirmation. We also have a secret the town does not know, but we bought an obstacle course bouncy house to set up for HSS Days. It will have our name and Maltese on it. This will also help serve for recruitment and getting our name out to the community. Its going to be a great opportunity for the department. We are very excited about it. HSS days is June 8-10th. New training prop was purchased for the forcible entry door. We have steel crush panels now with a drop bar prop as well as a cutting station (cutting locks and rebar with saws. It is now on the door and ready for training. We put in for a couple more grants. Hopefully we will get one or both. Still waiting to hear from DFPC on that grant. TNT did bring up their tools for us to look at and hopefully we can get the grants and purchase the battery powered extrication equipment. Neither grant is a match grant. Chief did budget the funds if we don't get the grant to get at least the combination tool. This will be great on 294 so first arrival can start working while waiting for the engine to arrive.

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Unfinished Business- Signage for department. After discussion, it was decided to go with the upgraded base to make it look better. This will also help let the community know we are here and proud of this department. Bringing more awareness and recruitment to the department.

Mike Thompson made a motion to approve the funds to have the sign built per the specs presented by Lunsford, Marco DeAndrea seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

New Business- Resolution for exemption from audit was read by Chairman Firth.

Meredith Howe made a motion to approve the resolution for exemption from audit as read, Marco DeAndrea seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment 7:26pm

Robert Firth, Chairman

Michael Gallegos, Secretary