

Western Hills Fire Protection District

Regular Meeting

Monday, January 9, 2023

1. **Call to Order:** 5:30 p.m.

2. **Attendance:**

Board Members: Randy Robb, Greg Johnson, Bill McDonnell, Don Steinmetz, Jr
 Absent: Kris Knez
 Also present: Chief Brian Kuznik, Janice Perekrestenko

3. **Changes in Agenda:**

4. **Fire Department Report:**

Ch. Kuznik reported the call volume increasing throughout the response area. Projections indicate there will be over 17,470 calls for 2022. Incident report – District has had a 16% increase in calls year-to-date compared to 2021. No fire calls in the district in December. Population is anticipated to increase by 39% by 2037.

Fall 2022 – saw a slight decline in new building permits. February or March 2023 will have a better idea of trends for the new year.

The recent cold snap in December – 72-hour time frame – contacted approximately 200 individuals to get them into a shelter during the extreme cold. No reported fatalities. The Red Cross organization opened a temporary shelter to house 60-70 people. The Event Center at Island Grove Regional was on standby to house people.

Denver has reached out to area municipalities for alternate placements for the immigrant population. Greeley has been contacted.

Suncore refinery has had significant equipment failures and will be shut down for an undetermined amount of time. They supply approximately 40% of Colorado fuel. Will see an influx of over-the-road tankers coming in I-70 to supply the state.

Four new employees started today, they are lateral hires and will be online within five weeks. Four additional employees will start on January 30, 2023, and attend the fire Academy for 15 weeks.

Department assessment will take place in 2023.

Incident summary

Calls	2022 WH	2022 City	2021 WH	2021 City
January	50	1,443	32	1,164
February	40	1,204	24	974
March	45	1,289	37	1,197
1st Quarter	135	3,936	93	3,335
April	50	1,333	35	1,176

May	48	1,392	31	1,042
June	49	1,485	36	1,279
2nd Quarter	147	4,210	102	3,497
July	57	1,619	48	1,381
August	42	1,581	42	1,408
September	53	1,434	56	1,330
3rd Quarter	152	4,634	146	4,119
October	35	1,460	40	1,407
November	35	1,400	34	1,333
December	19	1,800	38	1,416
4th Quarter	89	4,660	112	4,156
Year to Date	504	17,470	451	15,321

5. **Minutes:** December 2022 Regular Meeting
Motion to accept December 2022 Minutes as presented.
(McDonnell/Steinmetz) 4-0 Approved

6. **Financials:**

- A. Bills December 2022
Motion to accept Bills Paid in December 2022 as presented.
(Johnson/McDonnell) 4-0 Approved
- B. Statement of Changes as of December 2022
Motion to accept Statement of Changes as presented.
(Steinmetz/McDonnell) 4-0 Approved
- C. Journal Entries for December 2022
Motion to accept Journal Entries for December 2022
(Steinmetz/McDonnell) 4-0 Approved
- D. Weld County Treasurer Report – no formal action
- E. Closing Checklist December 2022
Motion to accept Closing Checklist as presented
(Johnson/McDonnell) 4-0 Approved

7. **Old Business:**

- A. ROW Easement – no update on the request.
- B. Website Redesign – no update at this time.

8. **New Business:**

A. Call for Nominations

The call for Nominations will be published in the Greeley Tribune.

9. **Oral or Written Suggestions from the Board or Taxpayers:** None

10. **Adjourn:**

President Robb declared the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting(s) and proposed Agenda Items

Date	Time	Agenda Items
02/13/2023	5:30 p.m.	Self-Nomination forms from Board members
03/13/2023	5:30 p.m.	
04/10/2023	5:30 p.m.	
05/08/2023	5:30 p.m.	

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Perekrestenko, Recording Secretary

Randall Robb, Board President