

Western Hills Fire Protection District
Regular Meeting
Monday, August 14, 2023

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

2. **Attendance:**

Board Members: Bill McDonnell, Kris Knez, Don Steinmetz Jr., Greg Johnson
Absent: Calven Goza

Also present: Battalion Chief Bob Fries, OEM Lt. Dom Tatti
Janice Perekrestenko

Guest: None

3. **Changes in Agenda:** None

4. **Fire Department Report:**

- USAR deployment for Hawaii (Alvord and her Human Remains dog)
- Civil Service approval – job offers made to 1 Paramedic and 1 Basic
- Oil & Gas training with Chevron for Fire Department
- GPD – Officer funeral on Thursday, GFD will provide support.
- OEM split office between this location and Station 1; also have trailer for supplies at this location.
- Larimer County Humane Society has taken over the Weld County Humane Society. They are renovating the facility and will occupy it in October. (re-branding – No Co Humane)
- Red Cross has had challenges assisting with sheltering set-ups in Greeley area. Greeley has three shelters that can be set up with 100–400-person capacity. Fun Plex, Rec Ctr and Island Grove Park (also can accept large animal rescue). Completed Large animal exercise two months ago to simulate a wildland fire and animal evacuation. Backup locations are the Ranch, Douglas County and Boulder County. Would need to get creative to include JBS plant evacuations (Dept of Agriculture oversight).
- Red Cross Outreach – They are focusing on east Greeley for Outreach programs. (Chosen over Pueblo and southern Wyoming) They will install smoke alarms at Country Estates in the next two weeks. They plan to present CPR Hands Only and Stop the Bleed programs. They are looking to establish a workspace in the area. They would be interested in utilizing an office at Western Hills if the Board is willing to consider a proposal. They do not provide homeless services and would refer to Salvation Army or United Way.

Calls	2023 WH	2023 City	2022 WH	2022 City
January	38	1,405	50	1,443
February	37	1,315	40	1,204
March	52	1,489	45	1,289
1st Quarter	127	4,209	135	3,936
April	42	1,451	50	1,333
May	51	1,572	48	1,392
June	50	1,484	49	1,485
2nd Quarter	143	4,507	147	4,210
July	39	1,624	57	1,619
August			42	1,581
September			53	1,434
3rd Quarter			152	4,634
October			35	1,460
November			35	1,400
December			19	1,800
4th Quarter			89	4,660
Year to Date	309	10,340	523	17,440

5. **Minutes:** July 2023 Regular Meeting
Motion to accept July 2023 Minutes as presented.
(Steinmetz/Knez) 4-0 Approved

6. **Financials:**
 - A. Bills July 2023
Motion to accept Bills Paid in July 2023 as presented.
(Knez/Johnson) 4-0 Approved

 - B. Statement of Changes as of July 2023
Motion to accept Statement of Changes as presented.
(Johnson/Steinmetz) 4-0 Approved

 - C. Journal Entries for July 2023
Motion to accept Journal Entries for July 2023
(Knez/Steinmetz) 4-0 Approved

 - D. Weld County Treasurer Report – no formal action

 - E. Closing Checklist July 2023
Motion to accept Closing Checklist as corrected.
(Knez/Johnson) 4-0 Approved

7. **Old Business:**

A. ROW Easement – no update on the request.

8. **New Business:**

A. Lawn Care, Landscaping, Fencing, Signage

1. Signage – Discussion of the material for the sign.

Suggestions, wood or granite from Monument Works.

Office of Emergency Management

2. Landscape – need to remove the tree on the northeast corner of the property.

3. Fencing will need to be re-bid.

B. Apparatus –

The 2005 Dodge pickup has been sent to auction. Waiting on sale information.

C. Open House

Discussion – send out a postcard to District tax payers with the website information..

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

10. **Adjourn:**

President McDonnell declared the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Regular Meeting(s) and Proposed Agenda Items

Date	Time	Agenda Items
09/11/2023	5:30 p.m.	
10/09/2023	5:30 p.m.	Proposed 2024 Budget
11/13/2023	5:30 p.m.	

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Perekrestenko, Recording Secretary

William McDonnell, Board President