

Western Hills Fire Protection District

Regular Meeting

Monday, March 13, 2023

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

2. **Attendance:**

Board Members: Randy Robb Kris Knez, Greg Johnson, Don Steinmetz Jr.
Bill McDonnell

Also present: Deputy Chief Jeff Stranahan, Janice Perekrestenko

3. **Changes in Agenda:**

4. **Fire Department Report:**

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion training for staff is taking place.

Bargaining process will begin for 2024-2025 collective agreement.

Homelessness program – The City of Greeley has received grants to work with the homeless population for those individuals who request assistance. The shelter at 870 28th Street will close as a cold-weather overnight shelter in mid-April. It will remain open during the day to navigate housing needs. The Greeley Fire Department Squad unit has made a significant impact on transitioning people to better situations.

UC Health Ambulance is getting closer to opening their facility in Windsor. They will continue to store a few ambulances in the Western Hills building.

February 2023 calls decreased compared to 2022.

Calls	2023 WH	2023 City	2022 WH	2022 City
January	38	1,405	50	1,443
February	37	1,204	40	1,204
March			45	1,289
1st Quarter			135	3,936
April			50	1,333
May			48	1,392
June			49	1,485
2nd Quarter			147	4,210
July			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			504	17,470

5. **Minutes:** February 2023 Regular Meeting
Motion to accept February 2023 Minutes as presented.
(Johnson/McDonnell) 5-0 Approved
6. **Financials:**
 - A. Bills February 2023
Motion to accept Bills Paid in February 2023 as presented.
(Knez/McDonnell) 5-0 Approved
 - B. Statement of Changes as of February 2023
Motion to accept Statement of Changes as presented.
(Steinmetz/Knez) 5-0 Approved
 - C. Journal Entries for February 2023
Motion to accept Journal Entries for February 2023
(McDonnell/Johnson) 5-0 Approved
 - D. Weld County Treasurer Report – no formal action
 - E. Closing Checklist February 2023
Motion to accept Closing Checklist as presented.
(McDonnell/Knez) 5-0 Approved
7. **Old Business:**
 - A. ROW Easement – no update on the request.
 - B. Website Redesign – the vendor had a schedule conflict and was unable to attend.
 - C. May 2, 2023, Election –
No additional self-nomination forms were received. The May 2, 2023, election is cancelled. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Steinmetz are elected by acclamation. They will be sworn in for their new terms at the May 8, 2023, regular meeting. There is one board position available at the May meeting.
8. **New Business:**
 - A. Colotrust statement 3/13/23
COLOTRUST is a local government investment pool serving Colorado local governments. COLOTRUST has issued the following statement in light of the recent developments regarding Silicon Valley Bank and Signature Bank (collectively, the “failed banks”) and the resulting market uncertainty.

All of COLOTRUST’s bank exposure is within the FDIC insurance coverage limits and/or is fully collateralized. In addition, COLOTRUST did not have any direct exposure to any failed banks, nor did COLOTRUST have financial relationships with any of the failed banks. The failed banks generally operated in a different banking sector than traditional banks and, as a result, we believe that, based on credit fundamentals, the risk should not be systemic. The Federal Reserve has created a Bank Term Funding Program to backstop the entirety of the banking system; however, recent market events suggest that investor behavior warrants enhanced due diligence.

COLOTRUST’s cash deposits are fully collateralized and maintained with a diverse group of financial institutions. Our disciplined investment process continually evaluates the strength and capitalization of our U.S. money center and regional counterparties, and indicates asset quality is strong, net interest margins are robust, and funding is solid in the fixed-income markets.

COLOTRUST does not expect the closure of the failed banks to have any impact on our operations. We will continue to monitor the situation and any impact on COLOTRUST or our participants.

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

10. **Adjourn:**
 President Robb declared the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Regular Meeting(s) and proposed Agenda Items

Date	Time	Agenda Items
04/10/2023	5:30 p.m.	
05/08/2023	5:30 p.m.	
06/12/2023	5:30 p.m.	
07/10/2023	5:30 p.m.	

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Perekrestenko, Recording Secretary

Randall Robb, Board President