



Wellington Fire Protection District REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The **Regular Board Meeting** of the Wellington Fire Protection District was called to order at 4:12 PM on **June 9, 2021**, and the meeting was held at **Station 17** located at **108 E County Rd 66, Fort Collins, Colorado, 80549**.

Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call

DIRECTORS PRESENT: SARNO, PETTIT, STORY, PIERSON
DIRECTORS ABSENT: REED

M/S PETTIT/SARNO to EXCUSE Director Reed's absence. Roll call is taken

<i>Reed</i>	<i>ABSENT</i>
<i>Pierson</i>	<i>PRESENT</i>
<i>Pettit</i>	<i>PRESENT</i>
<i>Sarno</i>	<i>PRESENT</i>
<i>Story</i>	<i>PRESENT</i>

MOTION APPROVED

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda	<i>NONE</i>
Conflicts of Interest	<i>NONE</i>
Correspondence	<i>NONE</i>
Open for Public Comment	<i>NONE</i>
Guests or Presentations	<i>NONE</i>

Consent Agenda

- Regular Board Meeting Minutes for May 2021
- Paid Bills and Reference Check Register
- Year-to-Date Budget
- Balance sheet

M/S PETTIT/STORY to APPROVE the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call is taken:

<i>Reed</i>	<i>ABSENT</i>
<i>Pierson</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>Pettit</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>Sarno</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>Story</i>	<i>YES</i>



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Chief's Report

CHIEF GREEN reported that we are fully staffed at this time. The District has experienced a record call volume (up 90 calls on the year), last year was a record year as well. We are on pace for approximately 1200 calls. We are anticipating an active wildland season locally and regionally.

CHIEF NATHE the southwest portion of the state is the most impacted so far. We are anticipating regional requests to start coming in next week. We have 15 wildland crew members and 4 engine bosess. The new IGA with other county agencies that allows for more resource sharing that we look forward to taking advantage of moving forward.

CHIEF GREEN Newly purchased apparatus in service and Engine 17 is in for service. And reminder that there is a Special Meeting for June 30th in conjunction with the All-Staff Meeting. New PFA Chief started last week.

DIRECTOR PETTIT REQUESTED Staff post that the Board may be in attendance of the All-Staff Meeting.

District Business

1. Emergency Declaration Discussion

*This agenda item is noted to come back to the Board of Directors for periodic discussion.
DIRECTION to take NO ACTION*

2. RFP Update

In April and May, the District underwent a formal RFP process seeking qualified fire apparatus manufacturers for the construction of a new build aerial apparatus. The District's overall goal in soliciting proposals was to identify the most responsible and capable vendor that meets the requirements indicated to satisfy the needs of the District. At the conclusion of the open bid process, we received a single proposal from Front Range Fire Apparatus and Pierce Manufacturing for review.

Staff recommends the Board authorize awarding Front Range Fire Apparatus and Pierce Manufacturing as the designated vendor for specification and build of a new aerial quint apparatus for the District.

DIRECTOR SARNO – disappointed in only receiving one bid, however touring the Pierce Facility quality is apparent in their operations.



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CHIEF GREEN – recap the reason for the discussion

DIRECTOR STORY – if there are other apparatus we need, would it make sense to package them to see if it would entice more bids? CHIEF NATHE, the fleet coming up will be wildland specific and trying to consolidate the bid process may not provide the intended benefit.

DIRECTION to move forward with contract negotiation for formal presentation to the Board for consideration.

3. RFQ Update

CHIEF GREEN we received 9 team packets from qualified design firms teamed up for the RFQ. The RFQ committee has decided on three teams to move forward on a short list

A. MACDONALD the scoring and evaluation matrix were used to score qualified firms based on the experience working on collaborative projects or of specific fire station and training centers. The short list will be notified after the Board meeting.

CHIEF DORITY many of the teams that presented projects were examples of local work. It will be important during the next stage to evaluate stations for construction of buildings for a life of 50 years plus.

CHIEF GREEN overall the process was very successful and the District received great feedback on the RFQ process.

DIRECTION was given to Staff to coordinate and conduct RFQ reference checks and station tours for the Board of Directors and the Facilities Review Committee to move forward with the next process for recommendation to the Board of Directors.

4. Legislative Update Discussion

A. Macdonald provided a brief update and overview of SB293 which will lower the Residential Assessment Rate. Staff is following the bill and proposed initiatives so that potential impacts can be anticipated before the proposed Senate Bill goes into effect.

CHIEF GREEN we will be reviewing our 6C Ballot Issue with legal council to see what kind of impact SB293 will have on the District.

Other

Station 16
8130 3rd Street
Wellington, CO 80549



Station 17
108 E County Road 66
Fort Collins, CO 80524

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Capt. Pettit provided a brief update on local construction projects and noted the increase of special events this year. Owl Canyon road paving project is underway and expected to be complete later in the Fall of 2021.

Adjournment - *DIRECTOR PIERSON adjourned the meeting at 5:14 pm*