

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
STRATMOOR HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

A special meeting of the Board of Directors for the Stratmoor Hills Fire Protection District was held pursuant to notice at 10:00 am. on January 29, 2025.

Board Members present: President Robert Colgrove, Vice-President James Pesicka, Secretary/Treasurer John Willcox and Director Cindy Dent.

District Personnel present: Fire Chief Shawn Bittle and Administrative Chief Dottie Barrett. Audience members: Kirk Medina; District Manager of the Water District.

Approval of Agenda

It was moved and seconded (Pesicka/Willcox) to approve the published agenda. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting.

Public Comment

Unfinished Business

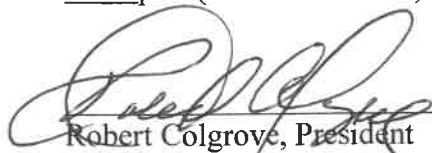
New and Miscellaneous Business:

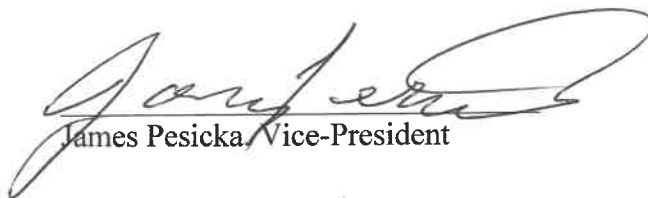
Financial Considerations to the Fire District

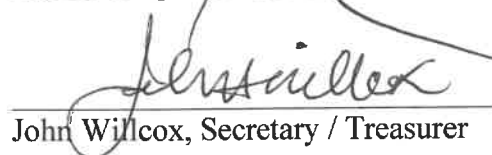
Chief Bittle and Chief Barrett informed the Board that due to Insurance Policy bills, numerous Dues and Subscriptions and other financial obligations that the Fire District has to pay out at the end of the previous year and beginning of the new year, along with payroll for the employees and taxes; the Fire District's reserves are down to the lowest available amounts and staff will not receive any funds until March of 2025 to be able to pay any further financial obligations. Chief Barrett contacted the Fire District's Auditor Tom Sistare to inquire about the Fire District borrowing money from the Water District and he stated that it is legal, and it happens all the time within Districts. Chief Barrett called the Water District Manager, Kirk Medina, and requested to borrow \$250,000.00 from the Water District and he agreed. Chief Bittle informed the Board that he takes full responsibility for this action due to the hiring of three (3) new employees and the cost associated with that action and staff not ensuring there was enough funds to compensate for those expenses. The Board further inquired about the outstanding Wildland Billing funds that the State of Colorado still owes to the Fire District and Chief Barrett informed the Board that staff is still awaiting payment for those seven deployments that will help generate close to \$100,000.00 for the District. Chief Barrett presented Resolution 25-003 to the Board explaining the agreement between the Fire District and the Water District and requested they approve the Resolution. It was moved and seconded (Pesicka/Willcox) to approve Resolution 25-003 between the Fire District and the Water District. The motion passed unanimously with all Directors voting.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15pm. (Pesicka/Willcox)


Robert Colgrove, President


James Pesicka, Vice-President


John Willcox, Secretary / Treasurer


Cindy Dent, Board Director