

## BCFFA Minutes February 2, 2017

Call to Order: Bret Gibson 19:10

Approval of Minutes: approve Dec. 2016 meeting minutes; unanimous

Treasurer's Report: Bret presented the Treasurer's report for approval; unanimous

Election of Officers: the sitting slate of Officers was re-elected, Chris O'Brien Lefthand Fire accepted the Secretary/Treasurer nomination.

Early Detection Landslide program: Boulder County with School of Mines will be installing land monitoring equipment that will link rainfall rate to help determine causes for land movement. This is a data-driven experiment. The 4-mile burn area including the 4-mile FPD and BMFPD is the beta test area.

Harmer Exercise: This year's EOC training will be an Active Harmer exercise. It will be a multi-operational period exercise involving a terrorist incident, incorporating Louisville PD, FD and other county-wide resources.

Gallagher Amendment: 2017 is a Gallagher Amendment adjustment year, current projections show a reduction from 7.96% to 6.56%, which could mean a reduction of tax income of up to 20%. Some districts may find it necessary to look at a Mil Levy election to offset the projected decrease.

City of Boulder Fire Based EMS: The City of Boulder is looking into the feasibility of Fire based EMS delivery. It is in the research phase.

Health Insurance Pool for VFD's: Sugarloaf VFD will be distributing a survey regarding the availability and interest in a health insurance pool for Volunteer FF's and agencies.

CRRF: it is renewal time for CRRF's with the State. This year's process is all on-line, and there is a 3% increase in rates across the board. Don't wait until the last minute!

AMR: AMR receive a contract extension on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. January also saw the change in ambulance dispatch model. AMR ambulances in the City are now available to be dispatched into the county without a mutual aid request. AMR's dispatch will send the closest unit. They are working on ensuring that there is at least 1 4wd ambulance available to the County for snow days. They have had much better compliance after changing the model. They have completed mapbook updates.

USFS: Pile burning season. USFS will work on burning over 600 acres of piles. They will be posting their burns on Inciweb and the various list serves. They will be working in the James Creek project primarily, with some work in Allenspark and Boulder Heights occurring as well.

They do put in a lot of follow-up work post-burn, spending over 3 weeks in Kelly Dahl. Dave Buchanon announced that he will reach his mandatory retirement in April 2017.

BES: will be offering a Water Rescue 1 in the June timeframe. They are looking at a Swiftwater Rescue class as well, classes are projected to cost \$75-\$80. Shore Support classes are available as an in-house training as well. The UAV program is running well. Don't forget, BES has WL firefighters available for assistance when needed.

BC Comms: They have hired and are completing the training of 7 new folks.

BCSO: Dispatch/Mutual Aid agreement is due for renewal, as well as the FDO survey/agreement. The second engine is up and running. Jay is looking into mutual aid agreements for a county handcrew to other counties.

Cooperators: Is there an interest in a Fire Investigator 210 for the County? Let Bret know what needs are. Seth will talk to Fritz about the possibility of an evidence preservation module in the RT 130.

Adjournment: 20:55