

BCFFA Minutes June 7, 2017

Call to Order: Bret Gibson 19:10

Attending: Sugarloaf; 4 Mile; Allenspark; Sunshine; Nederland; Coal Creek; Boulder Rural Fire; Lefthand; BES, Boulder County Communications; BCSO; OEM; AMR; DFPC.

Approval of Minutes: approve April 2017 meeting minutes; unanimous

Treasurer's Report: No report, Dues letters will be distributed in June.

PILT: Steve Coles from Allenspark has contacted Jared Polis' office regarding the future status of the PILT program. Representative Polis believes that there is a chance to persuade the administration in Washington DC to continue the program. It will continue through 2017, Congress may look at granting the program permanent status in 2018. It was agreed that this should be the focus of any public campaign, to put pressure on the Federal Government to continue the program.

The letter from the committee has been submitted to Michelle and Deb for their review, we are waiting on their response. The County is willing to look into providing funding from sources within the County Budget, the impasse rests on the fact that the PILT money is already earmarked for matching funds for Transportation projects, a Federally approved use, which for the county would mean finding double the money.

EMS Committee: reported that there was a good turnout, no treasurer's report this meeting.

- **EMR:** There is interest to continue the EMR program, Sugarloaf, Nederland will spearhead, Hygeine can be brought into the loop.

DFPC: Contact Dan if you'd like to be on the email list for e-mail/information pushes. IQS/ROSS pushes, please be timely, all risk is not pushed through ROSS.

Taylor's engine is available for all-risk training for agencies in the county.

T831 is parked in Loveland, operational hours 09:00-18:00

T888 is parked in Rifle

Drop colors are:

Orange on Non-fed fire is gel

Blue on Fed fire is Gel

Clear gel is Rifle

Blue gel is Craig

USFS: No report.

Gallagher Amendment: Boulder County property values have increased 38%, the Gallagher amendment may not have the same impact, it was not ratified during this legislative session.

OEM: HAZMAT authority is moving forward, they are closing in on signatures, they have a meeting in June. The affected mountain DERAs include Jamestown, Ward, Nederland and Lyons.

The Boulder EOC is a member of the Statewide IMT Ops plan writing team.

The Landslide detection grant is a go, soil saturation sensor program will pilot in 4 Mile/Boulder Mountain's district.

AMR: There are a lot of new people responding into the county with the new response plan. AMR is working with Communications and the local agencies to improve knowledge/familiarity. They have reprogrammed their radios so that they can work in the county.

AMR will continue to respond to S&R calls, they ask that the IC makes the call for ALS if needed into the field, staging AMR for hours on scene is not the best use of resources.

BES: Has auto aid with City Dive team. They have 18 red carded FF's available for incidents. Their command vehicle should be delivered in the Aug/Sept timeframe.

BC Communications: They are having issues with intermittent power outages at the repeaters due to lightning etc. No report on the VFIRE 21 question.

- VFIRE21 vs VMED28 Steve will check in with Scott Whitehead to see if there's any advantage to migrating to VMED28 (the Air medical channel used by the majority of the western states).

BCSO: City Rangers are dispatched to campfires, after hours paging could mean delayed or no response. BCSO is trying to work with City OS Rangers to improve response. Responding solo is difficult for the Deputies given the changes in the customer profile. The SO is working with Comms to develop a statistical analysis.

The SO is looking into rebalancing the Mountain Deputies for better coverage. The USFS contract is enforce which helps the SO provide extra presence in the mountains, needs or ideas to Lance Enholm please.

Bike/special events may be moving from Transportation to Law, this may aid in tightening up the permitting/overlap/overuse issues.

FTC: The burn trailers are available, order yours today!

Cooperators: The spring courses are complete. Fritz is looking for requests for fall class topics. There will be a training center orientation on August 4th, sign up on the Boco website.

Via Mobility may be able to provide Emergency Driving Class including classroom and driving pad. Need to know cost to determine interest.

Adjournment: 21:05