

BCFFA Minutes December 5th, 2019

Call to Order: Bret Gibson 19:05

Attending: 4 Mile; Nederland FD; Allenspark; Sugarloaf; Lefthand; Gold Hill; BMFR; BRFR; RMR; BES; BCCC; BCSO; OEM; DFPC; USFS.

Approval of Minutes: approve October 2019 meeting minutes; unanimous

Treasurer's Report: We have \$3081.12 in the account. We were able to pay \$10,000 to the PA.

EMS Committee: No meeting due to weather, we have received our EZ IO training kits.

County Planning ADU/Short Term Rental Discussion: Differentiate between owner occupied STR's vs unoccupied. Looking to update the code from a public safety perspective, looking for input from FD's. There is a variety of impact across the county agencies. The observations surround absentee owners, lack of education for users on the front end on vehicles, mountain weather and preparedness. Working on a registration process for VRBO and STR, currently inspections are complaint based from neighbors. Potentially requiring a local manager for absentee occupancies, especially for evacuation info etc. Looking to implement annual inspections for absentee STR's. Map and flyer as a minimum requirement regarding fire and flood, NOAA weather radio, perhaps change the code requirement for Site Plans for buildings that are intended to be VRBO in new construction to Hotel Occupancy requirements. County has to go through zoning requirements vs city capacity for licensing.

ADU process being updated and reviewed to allow better flexibility for converting use

Xcel Energy: Vegetation policy manager contacted Bret about clearance around powerlines, they are willing to discuss, and to describe their infrastructure updates. Bret recommended that we have a Commissioner and a House Representative in the discussion. They have 20' either side during reconstruction, otherwise it's a 4' clearing zone.

DFPC: CRRF updates due prior to the end of the year. They need to be annually validated. IQS documentation complete by 1/1/2020. Justification will be the responsibility of the individual district, and the districts will be liable for qualifications. Prioritize single resources first, especially at the ENGB level. More resources in the area, Gilpin county 4 perm 3 temp staff housed in the annex building behind station 7 in Timberline, James Peak Module, perms will be all hazard. Order the Mod through Ft Collins best practice. Load and return aircraft will trigger DFPC reps on scene, Seats will be tandeming in 2020.

USFS: Hired a bunch of new folks, higher quals/experience, more to help. Work continues with the Forsythe project, public meeting in Nederland Presbyterian Church Mon 9th at 18:00 possibly moved up to 17:00, we can update.

Church Road: 4 Mile/SSFD took a commissioner down the road trying to encourage the county to open the road/bring the road up to WUI standards for access egress.

BVFC: 3 contractors looking at Boulder County to help improve Boulder County communications via best practices. BRETSA has released money to support the project.

OEM: IPAWS email coming out.

Ambulance/EMS committee: No Report.

AMR: No Report.

BES: Not too much, that's a good thing!

LEU: No Report.

RMR: No report.

BC Communications: South Tower went down, the radio shop is working hard to affect repairs. Working to improve Allenspark infrastructure for phone service outages, currently routes to the fire station which may or may not be manned. 4 Mile has had intermittent outages as well, the card fails during power surges that don't wipe out service evenly. Dispatch will call Century Link on behalf of a district that has lost phone service. Call box being installed at Licksillet and Lefthand. Radio updates 2020, comm plans are updated, vtacs being replaced by vfire, vmed28 for air ambulances. Channel 16 will be open for company channel. FS was part of the updated comm plan for better interagency comms. Radio channel name/label updates coming up as well, lwr case v for VHF channels, clear delineation of naming conventions. Law Comm plans being drafted as well. Please don't forget to turn on the mic time out feature on your radio.

BCSO: S&R calls should use Fire CMD for coordination en-route for all agencies. If not assigned, please request it

FTC: No report

Cooperators: Proposal to maintain the existing stipend structure, Rick Dirr motioned to approve maintaining the existing cooperators stipend structure; Chris Finn seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

There is an opportunity to expand to N metro et.al., we'll look into insurance exposure, the consensus was to support the expansion as Fritz sees fit as long as it doesn't take away from our county training/overtax the instructor cadre.

Watershed: No report.

City of Boulder: No report.

PILT: No report.

MCI: The plan is nearing approval.

Red Cross: No Report.

Nomination: reelect the sitting slate.

Adjournment: 21:32

Next Meeting: February 6th, 2020 19:00 NVFD