

Loveland Fire & Rescue Advisory Commission

Meeting Minutes

October 13th, 2010

Present: Janet Bailey, Jim Buchanan, Tim Hitchcock, Paul Pfeiffer, Kaitlyn Murdoff, Mayor Cecil Gutierrez, Rural Board liaison Andy Anderson, Fire Chief Randy Mirowski, Division Chief Ned Sparks, Division Chief Merlin Green, special guest Jim Atkins, (Citizen Finance Advisory Commission).

Absent: Patrick Love, Steve Stolz, Mary Moore, and Jerry Ward.

Meeting called to order at 5:35 p.m.

Quorum: A quorum was not present, no official business was conducted.

Citizen's Award Presentation:

Chief Randy Mirowski presented Michael Gheen with an award for his courageous action at a motor vehicle accident, by using his truck to push the burning vehicle away from the injured person.

Citizen Finance Advisory Commission Presentation:

Jim Atkins provided an over view of ballot measures 60, 61 & 101 and the negative impact those measures will have on the budget if passed. Jim explained each initiative in detail and also provided information how these would be a negative impact to low income families. A question was asked if FRAC could take a public stance on these initiatives. FRAC should prepare a resolution for Council.

FRAC Position on ballot measures 60, 61 & 101:

Without a quorum, no official action was taken.

Draft Position Statement:

No action taken

Approval of August Minutes:

No action taken

City Council Report:

- Mayor Gutierrez reported the 2011 budget passed on first reading. He added that should the ballot initiatives, they will revisit the proposed budget and make the necessary adjustments. He outlined that specifically these budget reductions would mean a reduction in personnel, as that is the largest portion of the budget.
- The new City Manager starts November 1st.

Rural Board Report:

- Andy reported that the December Rural Board meeting will be a tour at Super Vacuum Manufacturing and asked if FRAC would be interested to make this a joint abbreviated meeting and then tour the facility. Those in attendance supported that idea.

Chief's Report:

- Reported that the Fire Authority Board is making progress and has developed timelines and goals for outcomes. The primary target is staffing, deployment and large capital expenditures,
- The Safer grant was submitted to fund a Retention & Recruitment position to enhance the Volunteer program and other associated activities. This is a four year grant with no matching funds required to support it.
- The AFG grant has been submitted for replacement SCBA's at \$ 400,000. The matching funds from the City and Rural have been identified and secured, if the grant is awarded.
- Randy answered questions relative to funding concerns should the three ballot measures pass, and what impact that would have on the department.

DC Sparks:

- Reported on the success of the airport drill.
- Discussed the status of the proposed death & disability benefits for the Part Time paid Firefighters.
- Gave an update on the Blue Card training

DC Green:

- Gave a report on the Reservoir Road fire.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 10th, 2010 5:30 @ EOC

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Merlin D. Green