



## **Prospect Rural Fire Protection District Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting, January 20, 2024**

Vice-President Clay Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Attending:** Clay Thomas, Bob Scott, Lon Stockebrand, and Joyce Dierking

**Also Attending:** Fire Chief Lyle Neville, Bob Jones (financial officer) and 13 other community members

Approval of November minutes. Lon made a motion to accept, Bob seconded. Clay voted yes, Lon voted yes, Bob Scott voted yes, Joyce voted yes.

Bob Jones gave his financial report. Joyce made a motion to accept, Bob seconded. Clay voted yes, Lon voted yes, Bob Scott voted yes, Joyce voted yes.

Lyle gave his Annual Fire Department report for 2024.

Melissa Taylor gave a report on the Levy committee's work. The Fire Department calendar fundraiser was a success. \$1000.00 was raised. The Levy committee will be mailing out an informational brochure later this week. There will be an all-community informational meeting at the Community Hall February 1<sup>st</sup> from 2:00-4:00 pm. Desserts will be provided. Melissa also stated that the Board of Directors must vote at the February board meeting to approve the levy and at what rate to meet the deadlines for putting this measure on the May ballot.

A motion was made by Lon, seconded by Bob to advertise Karen Wickman's board position filling. Joyce will place applications at the Post Office and the URRAT office. We will post it on the Prospect Community page and Fire Dept. web page. Clay voted yes, Lon voted yes, Bob Scott voted yes, Joyce voted yes.

Joyce made a motion to adopt the changes made to policy book 1, Lon seconded. Clay voted yes, Lon voted yes, Bob Scott voted yes, Joyce voted yes.

Joyce made a motion to adopt the Five-ten Year Goal document, Lon seconded. Clay voted yes, Lon voted yes, Bob Scott voted yes, Joyce voted yes. The goals are: (1) Pass a Local Option Levy to adequately fund the District. (2) Have enough volunteers to have scheduled on-call shifts. (3) Have trained seasonal ff for wild-land response on staff during fire season. (4) Increase number of trained and certified fire fighters (ff) 1 & 2 and EMT's 1 & 2 (5) Have proper up-to-date PPE for every volunteer (6) Have a full-time funded Fire Chief. (7) Have Mercy Flights coverage for everyone in the District that fills out an application. (8) Upgrade fire department equipment/vehicles. (9) Build a new modern Fire Station. (10) Ensure adequate cash reserves for matching grants for equipment, personnel, and capital improvement and cash flow. (11) Improve fire prevention-education and fuels reduction. (12) Improve ISO rating to lower insurance costs for our residents. (13) Have adequate stored and piped water via a hydrant system throughout the district within the next 10 years.

Meeting was opened for public comment.

Lon made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bob. Clay voted yes, Lon voted yes, Bob Scott voted yes, Joyce voted yes. Adjourned at 8:54.

Next Board of Directors meeting, February 17, 2024  
BOD agenda items due by January 31, 2025.

Minutes and a recording of this meeting available at [www.prospectrfpd.org](http://www.prospectrfpd.org)