

# Pliocene Ridge Community Services District

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# PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING March 12, 2022 Pike Firehouse, 6 pm MEETING NOTES (amended 10/16/2022 with note at the bottom)

Attendance: David and Rae Bell Arbogast, Bruce Coons, Ned Cusato, Chris & Christina Dorn, Daniel Guyer, Roland Robertson, Denise Ruane.

- **Purpose of planning:** Short-term and long-term, to prioritize the dedication of resources (time and money) and to guide the pursuit of grant funding. Also, to work towards stability and improvement of ability to provide basic services.
- Areas of responsibility: Personnel, Buildings, Fleet, Organization of District.

Assess current status and needs in each area of responsibility.

#### Personnel

Safety highest priority, doing well in that area with upgraded PPE for all active volunteers and weekly trainings. Training attendance is a problem. Recruitment and retention are also problems.

#### • Fleet

Short-term priorities: Alleghany upgrade structure truck, Pike upgrade water tender and rescue.

Longer-term: Pike needs an upgraded type III 4x4 looking to get from Forest Service, but housing is an issue due to size. Also, current loaner from Forest Service 6770 is parked outside in violation of agreement, need to return it in Chief Dorn's opinion.

## Buildings

Longer-term: Pike needs two more larger engine bays, one for tender and one for modern type IIII engine. Chris Dorn & Rae Bell to look at plot plan and see what might be doable. Possibly request alternatives analysis. Previous plans developed by Mark Jokerst should be looked at.

Short-term: Need ADA accessible space in Pike to hold meetings. **Plan to use rescue bay already approved by PRCSD board**.\* (see note below) Christina Dorn to work on getting permit. Chris, Christina, Ned, Dan, Rae and David to do the work.

Mini-split heat pump identified as best heating option. Rae mentioned energy audit going on now, might be able to tie that in. It was suggested as best heating option for both the Pike and Alleghany firehouses.

Alleghany station 1 -short term plan, stabilize west wall and re-side it with metal roofing for increased water impermeability (also is fire resistant). Move propane tank away from the building, excavate for better drainage. Rae to check into permit for moving propane tank. Chris, Christina, Ned, Dan, Rae and David to do the work.

Front needs to be repainted AND roof needs to be screwed back down. Nobody wants to get on roof. Rae to get estimate to have a roofer do it.

Long-term plan for Station1 in Alleghany was not discussed

It was noted that the district qualifies for 75% funding from USDA for buildings or vehicles but it is on a reimbursement basis.

• Organization of district not discussed.

## Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm

\* October 2022: There was a question about this recently, and so much time has passed that I had to look back through the board meeting minutes to see when it was discussed. My recollection was that it was decided to select the engine bay bathroom conversion as the simplest way to create an ADA accessible meeting space at the Pike Firehouse. In looking back at the minutes, it was discussed on April 15, 2022 and the consensus at that time was to move forward with Chris Dorn figuring the best heating option for the rescue truck bay. The minutes note that this is the "first step".

Staff will be working to come up with cost estimates for the materials in time for the November 2022 regular board meeting for further discussion and possible board action.