

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
COLORADO RIVER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING ON 2023 BUDGET
DECEMBER 13, 2022**

STATION 64, 775 CASTLE VALLEY BLVD., NEW CASTLE, CO 81647

The continued Public Hearing on the proposed 2023 Budget was called to order by Chairperson Lambert at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present:

Alan Lambert, President/Chairperson
Dick Miller, Director
Levy Burris, Treasurer

Board Members Absent:

Matt Weisbrod, Vice President (Excused)
Addy Marantino, Secretary (Excused)

Others Present:

Leif Sackett, Fire Chief
Zach Pigati, Operations/Wildland Division Chief
Scott Van Slyke, EMS/Training Division Chief
Orrin Moon, Prevention Division Chief
John Gredig, IT Director
PJ Tillman, Administrative Director
Dino Ross, Legal Counsel for the District (Via Online)
Bill Smith, Lieutenant (Via Online)
Eric Davis, Firefighter (Via Online)

Administrative Director Tillman advised the Board that tonight's Public Hearing is a continuation of the Board's November 8, 2022, Public Hearing on the 2023 Budget.

a. Confirmation that no Public Comments Have Been Received by Budget Officer

Administrative Director Tillman advised the Board that no public comments have been received since the November 8 Public Hearing.

b. Review and Discussion of Draft 2023 Budget

Fire Chief Sackett briefly reviewed the Certification of Tax Levies for Non-School Governments provided by the Garfield County Assessor. He stated the certification identifies 9.102 mills and a revenue of 7.7 million dollars that the District will receive. Chief Sackett stated the certification will need to be signed by the Board and will be a part of the District's Budget Resolution.

Fire Chief Sackett reviewed Chief Staff's 2023 Budget document that encompasses the funding recommendations for the District's General Fund Budget and Goals, and Capital Projects Fund Budget.

Treasurer Burris inquired about the increase in the Salaries and Benefits line items. Fire Chief Sackett and Operations/Wildland Division Chief Pigati provided information regarding cost of living adjustments and measures put in place based on the District's prior Wage Survey. Administrative Director Tillman provided financial figures for some of the newly added positions, such as Wildland Battalion Chief and Fire Inspector.

Further Board discussion ensued.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING:

At 6:09 p.m., Director Miller made a motion to close the continued Public Hearing on the proposed 2023 Budget. Treasurer Burris seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.