



Loveland Fire Rescue Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 9, 2018, 5:30 p.m.
Development Center
Emergency Operations Center (EOC), 2nd Floor
410 E. 5th St., Loveland, CO. 80537

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

FRAC Present: Chair Jonathan (Jon) Smela, Fire Chief Mark Miller, Division Chief Ned Sparks, Chief Michael Cerovski Special Projects Manager Randy Mirowski, Member/Rural Board Member Leroy (Andy) Anderson, Member Janet Bailey, Member Paul Pfeiffer, Member Elton Bingham,

FRAC Absent: Division Chief Greg Ward, City Council Representative John Fogle, Member Leo Wotan, City Council Representative Richard Ball, and Member Shane Castro

1. Minutes approval: presented by Chair Smela

Minutes from the March 21st 2018 meeting approved as submitted.

2. City Council Updates: Presented by Chief Mark Miller

❖ This was combined with Chief Updates

3. Chief Updates: Presented by Chief Mark Miller

❖ Fire Station 7 Progress Report:

The project is moving forward and the contract was just signed for asbestos abatement and demolition. We will have a "New Fire Station" sign up on completion.

❖ Modern Fire Behavior:

- Chief Miller discussed the regional out-reach classes going on at LFRA
- Nationally recognized speakers are from Australia and California. LFRA is in a leadership role regionally and nationally.

4. Rural District Board Updates: There were no updates.

5. Work Project 2018: Special Projects Manager Randy Mirowski

❖ The work projects were broken out into three teams.

❖ Team #1 is Growth and Development of the Highway 402 Corridor. Chair Jon Smela Lead Presenter.

Key Points:

Trigger Points for Highway 402 Expansion:

- Limits set by floodplain. This will restrict growth on the north side of Hwy 402.
- I-25 expansion at the Hwy 402 interchange.
- Infrastructure expansion (City) – currently ends at Boise Ave.
- Call Volume – Increase in call volume tied to overall area expansion.

EM Response Modeling:

- 5 minute response model (polygons) currently show gaps for our coverage
- Some overlap in coverage should be expected with Berthoud and Front Range Districts.
- Location of new fire station 10 will impact coverage/ gaps.

Land Use:

- Most likely will be low density residential and some commercial / Industrial.
- Oil and Gas will be an impact
- Hwy 402 Master Corridor Plan – we will wait and see the outcome

Probable Station Locations:

- We will look closely at Hwy 402 and CO Rd. 7 – this location could be a viable option.
- We will need response path/ information
- Station 10 location should be determined (N or S of Hwy 34?).
- Station 3's location has little to no effect.

Steps Moving Forward:

- Need response Data/ Info. (team 2?)
- Need to see completed Hwy 402 master corridor plan
- Need to confirm Station 10's location
- Need to get a better picture of Hwy 402/ I-25 interchange.
- Need to determine the possibilities of joint-planning/ operations with Berthoud Fire and Front Range Fire

- ❖ Team #2 Response Mapping for the Highway 402 Corridor. Member Paul Pfeiffer Lead Presenter.

Key Points:

Review of Existing Polygons/ Areas:

- Reviewed areas for Station 1 and Station 6 for Hwy 402 corridor impacts.
- Significant coverage gaps exist
- A station in Hwy 402 corridor is needed and would address gaps

Potential New Station Locations:

- Based on polygon review (5 min drive response model). The location near Hwy 402 and Co Rd 7 appears to be a good location.
- Mostly eliminates the underserved (gap) areas east of Co Rd 3.
- Positive aspects of this location are: good access to I-25 and excellent access from Hwy 402. We also would have direct access to Hwy 60 south – and impact south district response.

Other Impacts/ Considerations:

- Call volume projections
- Location of future fire station 10 (North or south of Hwy 34 & Centerra Pkwy).
- Movement or future change in location of current fire Station 3 will have a minimal impact.

Steps Moving Forward:

- Need more complete call volume/service demand (projected) for area.
- Need to know response data (5 minute model/ polygon) for both Station 10 locations.
- Need to assess the need to move Hwy 402 Station further west depending on location of new Fire Station #10.
- Possibilities for Joint Operations: Front Range, Thompson Valley EMS

- ❖ Team #3 Evaluation of Current Fire Station 3 and the Highway 402 Corridor Expansion Project. Lead Presenter and main presenter: Janet Bailey.

Key Points:

Review Current Location of Station 3:

- Built in 1979
- Too small for dorm/living quarters
- Inadequate truck bay height/ exhaust systems
- Lack of public lobby/ amenities

Evaluated three options:

Option 1: Remain at existing site

- Land size /Acquisition of more land is problematic
- Requires massive de-construct/re-build
- City funding covers costs – included in current strategic plan
- Logistics and costs for station operation during construction
- Would new construction be for 50 years?

Option 2: Purchase land/ build to west

- Best location seems to be Co Rd 21 and HWY 402
- Build new station to address needs
- Supports a solid 50-year plan
- Cost to re-locate station during construction is not an issue
- Best option for response modeling (5-min. response).
- Could combining with Thompson Valley EMS be an option?

Option 3: Move Station 3 East

- Option could be Tyler & Hwy 402
- Purchase land and build station to needs
- Supports 50-year Lifespan Plan
- Costs to relocate during construction is a non-issue
- City funding covers cost as it is in current strategic plan
- Does not meet expected response- needs to be to the west
- There are other ways to address response concerns going east
- Overall not the best response model (going east).

Steps Moving Forward:

- Station 3's location has minimal effect on Hwy 402 expansion.
- Building west can impact new Station 7 coverage/ back-up company
- Need to know build-out plans to west/service level needs
- Co Rd 21 & Hwy 402 appears to be best location for new Fire Station #3 – confirm this with more mapping and Response Data Analysis

- Going east is not a viable option

Team #1 (Future):

- Some wait-and-see on available data/information
- Flood plain info
- Planned Expansion and Growth.

Team #2 (Future):

- Look at other mapping and response data

Team #1 (Future):

- Need summary of work.

❖ **Team Presentations Conclusion/ Thoughts**

Key Points:

Review Current Location of Station 3:

- Group #3 may be close to completion
- May need to look further at EMS response/considerations
 - Chief Miller to contact Chief Leshar (TV EMS for conversation).
- Need more response Data/ Projections.
- Need confirmation on location for future Station #10 – north or south of Hwy 34 /CO 5
- Cooperative efforts with Berthoud and Front Range Fire a possibility?
- Availability of Land and lot sizes will be a factor
- Expansion with Larimer Emergency Telephone Authority (LETA) a possibility?



3. **Public Comment (If applicable) citizens:** There was no public comment.

4. **Motion to Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm by Chairman Jon Smela

The next FRAC meeting will be on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the EOC.

Minutes respectfully documented by Special Projects Manager Randy Mirowski and typed by Jonnie Genova.

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