

**Cortez Fire Protection District
Pension Board meeting minutes
April 8, 2015**

Call to order

President Sharp called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. in the meeting room at Station #1. The roll was taken and the board members present were Orly Lucero, Lori Johnson, Gene Gustafson, Kent Lindsay, Sherri Wright and Larry Sharp. Diane Fox was absent. Administrative assistant Wendy Mimiaga, Asst. Chief Charles Balke and Chief Jeff Vandevoorde were also present for the meeting.

Approval of the minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on January 14, 2015 were brought before the board for approval.

After reading and review, Kent Lindsay made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on January 14, 2015, Sherri Wright seconded. The minutes were approved on the following vote:

Fox	Johnson	Wright	Lindsay, K.	Lucero	Gustafson	Sharp
absent	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Administrative assistants report

Administrative Assistant Wendy Mimiaga went over her report that was included in the packet. It was reported that the value of the Edward Jones account on January 30, 2015 was \$2,235,741.20 with an income for the month of \$7,865.97, on February 27, 2015 was \$2,176,173.83 with an income for the month of \$101.94 and March 27, 2015 was \$2,181,621.71 with an income of \$3,137.00. The year to date income as of March 27, 2015 is \$11,104.91.

Ms. Johnson requested that the value of the bonds and the mutual fund be broken down when reported. This will better explain the total value of the account. As the market fluctuates, the value of the bonds and mutual funds also changes. The change in the mutual funds does have a

direct effect on the account; however, the fluctuation of the bonds is not as prevalent as we hold the bonds till maturity, which is at par despite what was paid.

The balance for the First National Bank, as of January 31, 2015, was \$113,335.97 with interest earned of \$4.96; February 28, 2015, was \$102,022.36 with interest earned of \$4.14; the March, 2015 statement was not received prior to the April 8, 2015 Pension Board meeting, and will be reported at the next scheduled meeting, July 8, 2015. The interest earned year to date was \$9.10. The interest rate remained at 0.05%.

The first quarter pension payment from the District of \$10,000.00 was made on March 11, 2015.

New Business

Possible increase of pension benefit – At the last pension meeting, January 14, 2015, it was requested that a discussion on increasing the pension benefit be added to the agenda for the April 8, 2015 meeting. During the January meeting, discussion continues on the topic. It was decided that no more could be done until the 2016 Actuarial Report was completed.

President Sharp asked about what he understood as \$76,000 that was supposed to go into the pension fund, but was used to pay off the Assessor when there was a discrepancy with the District's assessed value back in 2010. He believed that a contribution of \$76,000 was to be made to the pension fund, but the money was instead used to pay the assessor, and needs to be reimbursed to the pension fund. Mr. Lindsay said that was not the case, that there was a budget change in the contribution from the District to the pension fund, but it was not to pay for that (*the change in valuation*). It was explained that the District did not have to 'give back' money to the County, it was withheld and not distributed. Nothing was taken out of the pension fund. It was further explained that in 2010 the District contribution to the pension fund was \$149,383. (*The contribution had originally been budgeted for \$197,103 and revised to \$149,383. Both of these amounts are in excess of one (1) mill and therefore against statute.*)

Ms. Johnson asked if a motion was necessary to include a \$50 increase in the 2016 actuarial study. It was explained that this should be addressed at the January, 2016 Pension Board meeting. The information that is sent to the actuary cannot be compiled until after the first of the year. We can then ask for the additional calculation to be made. The report will include the \$300 pay out, the \$495 pay out and a \$545 payout. This might increase the cost of the report.

Old business

There was no old business.

Executive Session

There was no executive session.

Adjournment

Having no further business to come before the board, Kent Lindsay made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Orly Lucero seconded. The motion passed as follows:

Fox	Johnson	Wright	Lindsay, K.	Lucero	Gustafson	Sharp
absent	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Larry Sharp – President

Attest:

Kent Lindsay – Secretary / Treasurer