REGULAR MEETING

Powder River Fire District July 12th, 2023 7:00 P.M.

Present:

Board Members: Matt Carr, Steve Haines, and Kevin Lund

Fire Chief: Kenneth Richardson

Public: Johnson County Commissioner Novotny

District Clerk: Becky Schiermiester

Public Budget Hearing:

<u>2023-2024 Budget</u> — Chairman Steve Haines opened the floor for public discussion of the fiscal year end 2024 budget for the Powder River Fire District at 7:00 p.m. Hearing no comments or questions, nor any objections from the public, Kevin Lund moved to accept the fiscal year end 2024 budget for the Powder River Fire District as presented, seconded by Matt Carr. *Vote: 3 ayes. Approved.*

The regular meeting of the Powder River Fire District Board of Directors was brought to order by Chairman Steve Haines at 7:04 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12th, 2023.

<u>Minutes</u>: Matt Carr moved to approve the minutes for the regular board meeting held on June 14th, 2023, as presented. Kevin Lund seconded the motion. *Vote: 3 ayes. Motion Carried.*

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Becky Schiermiester presented the board with an income/expense report, a balance sheet, and a progressive budget report for July. Matt Carr moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Kevin Lund. *Vote: 3 ayes. Motion Carried.*

Fire Chief's Report:

<u>Call Outs</u>: Fire Chief Kenneth Richardson reported that the district had responded to two call outs during the month of June. The district responded to a vegetation fire and one ambulance assist.

<u>Updates and Repairs</u>: Chief Richardson reported on recent repairs to the trucks and equipment.

The board and Chief Richardson also discussed per diem rates for 2023. Kevin Lund moved to increase our per diem rates to match the 2023 standard federal per diem rates, seconded by Matt Carr. *Vote: 3 ayes. Approved.*

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Updates</u>: The board and Commissioner Novotny discussed the mil levy rate. The board, Chief Richardson, and Commissioner Novotny also discussed proposed costs of replacing the Pack Saddle repeater.

Old Business:

<u>Fire Protection Agreement</u>: The board tabled any action on the mutual aid agreement/contract between the Town of Kaycee and the Powder River Fire District until corrections are made to the proposed contract.

Bills:

Kevin Lund moved to approve the following audited bills, seconded by Matt Carr. *Vote: 3 ayes. Motion Carried.*

AT&T, Telephone - \$23.31; Buffalo Bulletin, Fees - \$208.00; Ed's Body Shop, Repairs - \$4,030.33; CNA Surety, Bonds - \$200.00; Complete Wireless Technologies, VFA Grant Purchase - \$14,822.87; EFTPS, Payroll Liability - \$1,690.16; Frandson Safety, Repairs/Maintenance - \$26.25; Homax Oil Sales, Fuel - \$300.61; Montana-Dakota Utilities, Utilities - \$60.77; Payroll, Wages - \$7,696.92; Powder River Energy, Utilities - \$234.00; Range, Telephone - \$144.20; Rocky Mountain Power, Utilities - \$56.18; Tedesko Repair, Repairs/Maintenance - \$273.00; Town of Kaycee, Utilities - \$64.00; TriCounty Gas, Utilities - \$2,350.00; Visa, Fees/Office/Operating Supplies - \$694.21; Wyoming Apparatus, Repairs - \$617.00; Wyoming Department of Employment, Payroll Liabilities - \$1,146.60; Wyoming Retirement, Retirement - \$168.75; Wyoming State Forestry, Repairs/Maintenance - \$1,516.43.

Adjournment:

With no further business the regular board meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Steve Haines, Chairman

Matt Carr, Secretary

Kevin Lund, Treasurer