

REGULAR MEETING

Powder River Fire District

November 8th, 2023

7:00 P.M.

Present:

Board Members: Matt Carr and Steve Haines

Fire Chief: Kenneth Richardson

District Clerk: Becky Schiermiester

The regular meeting of the Powder River Fire District Board of Directors was brought to order by Chairman Steve Haines at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 8th, 2023.

Minutes: Matt Carr moved to approve the minutes for the regular board meeting held on October 11th, 2023, as presented. Steve Haines seconded the motion. *Vote: 2 ayes. Motion Carried.*

Treasurer's Report: Becky Schiermiester presented the board with an income/expense report, a balance sheet, and a progressive budget report for November. Matt Carr moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Steve Haines. *Vote: 2 ayes. Motion Carried.*

Fire Chief's Report:

Call Outs: Fire Chief Kenneth Richardson reported that the district had responded to one grass fire in September and one commercial structure fire in October.

Updates and Repairs: Chief Richardson reported on recent repairs to the trucks and equipment. The chief reported that L.N. Curtis had contacted the district and reported that our Hurst equipment was in need of inspection. It was the consensus of the board to have the equipment inspected.

The board and the chief also discussed the state grant that is a 50/50 match up to \$20,000.00 each. Discussions were had of what to purchase with the grant monies.

Further discussions included new fire wall and National Fire Incident Reporting software. The cost of purchasing the needed software will be included in the FYE 2024/25 budget.

Old Business:

Fire Protection Agreement: Steve reported that he has not received a response from the Town of Kaycee on the proposed mutual aid agreement/contract between the Town of Kaycee and the Powder River Fire District.

NEW BUSINESS:

Updates: Commissioner Novotny updated the board on requested time constraint changes to the recently required Elected Officials Audit Certification Training. Commissioner Novotny also provided information on accounting firms the county has used, should the district ever need a full CPA audit.

Bills:

Steve Haines moved to approve the following audited bills, seconded by Matt Carr.

Vote: 2 ayes. Motion Carried.

AT&T, Telephone - \$11.22; EFTPS, Payroll Liability - \$4,420.12; Foundation Support Systems, Repairs - \$303.99; Frandson Safety, Repairs - \$26.25; Herring, Gordon, Fire Wages - \$11,251.71; Homax Oil Sales, Fuel - \$123.35; Montana-Dakota Utilities, Utilities - \$129.07; North Wyoming Insurance, Insurance - \$2,209.00; Petty, Justin, Fire Wages - \$354.62; Powder River Energy, Utilities - \$232.00; Range, Telephone - \$144.11; Richardson, Kenneth, Fire Wages - \$1,358.25; Rocky Mountain Power, Utilities - \$50.78; Schiermiester, Becky, Administrative Wages - \$2,069.75; Town of Kaycee, Utilities - \$64.00; Wyoming Retirement, Retirement - \$187.50.

Adjournment:

With no further business the regular board meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.


Steve Haines, Chairman


Matt Carr, Secretary


Kevin Lund, Treasurer