

REGULAR MEETING

Powder River Fire District

October 14th, 2020

7:00 P.M.

Present:

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

Fire Chief: Kenneth Richardson

Firefighter: Matt Carr

District Clerk: Becky Schiermiester

Public: Leif Hanson and Johnson County Commissioner William Novotny

The regular meeting of the Powder River Fire District Board of Directors was brought to order by Chairman Fred Carr at 7:05 p.m. on Wednesday, October 14th, 2020.

Minutes: Steve Haines moved to approve the minutes for the regular board meeting held on September 9th, 2020, seconded by Kevin Lund. *Vote: 3 ayes. Motion Carried.*

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Discussion: Chairman Fred Carr opened the floor for any public discussion. Leif Hanson addressed the board about questions he had regarding who the incident commander was on the I-25 fire and what is the protocol for requesting mutual aid from the surrounding areas agencies. Mr. Hanson also inquired as to the extent of services, if any, that civilians can contribute to fighting a fire.

Fire Chief Richardson fielded Mr. Hanson's questions and gave him an overview of the structure of the incident command system(ICS) and its hierarchical structure. The ICS is in place to ensure that the most pressing needs are met, resources are used wisely and without duplication, and that the safety of the community is given the utmost priority.

SLIB Grant: Commissioner Novotny informed the board that the State of Wyoming Land and Investment Board has a Mineral Royalties Grant. The grant could possibly help defer some of the cost of the impending foundation repairs to the fire hall. The board was then presented with a list of requirements of eligibility for the grant.

Resolution 2020-1: The board was presented with a resolution requesting funding for the foundation repairs of the fire hall. Steve Haines moved to approve Resolution 2020-1 as presented, seconded by Kevin Lund. *Vote: 3 ayes. Motion Carried.*

Insulation Estimate: The board was presented with an estimate from High Country Insulation for insulation installation at the Linch fire station. Steve Haines moved to accept the estimate, seconded by Kevin Lund. *Vote: 3 ayes. Motion Carried.*

Bid: The board was presented with a bid from Foundation Support Systems of Wyoming for the repairs of the fire hall foundation by using helical piers. A 25% down payment is required before repairs will begin. Steve Haines moved to accept the bid, seconded by Kevin Lund.

Vote: 3 ayes. Motion Carried.

Fire Chief's Report:

Call Outs: Fire Chief Richardson reported that the district had responded to three car wrecks during the past month.

Updates: The chief also reported that three engines have been placed at the Linch fire station and he has been actively searching for a water tender.

Old Business:

Tri County Gas: Steve Haines moved to approve changing from our current propane provider to Tri County Gas, seconded by Kevin Lund. *Vote: 3 ayes. Motion Carried.*

Bills:

The following bills were audited and approved for payment:

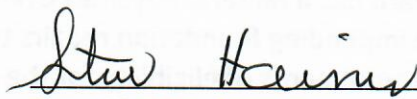
Black, Joyce, Cleaning Wages - \$96.96; Buffalo Bulletin, Public Notice - \$322.00; Cenex Fleetcard, Fuel - \$128.80; Communications Technologies, Repairs - \$790.43; EFTPS, Payroll Liability - \$1,235.76; Frandson Safety, Inc., Repairs/Maintenance - \$22.00; Kaycee General Store, Operating Supplies/Repair Supplies - \$48.86; Montana-Dakota Utilities, Utilities - \$71.64; Municipal Emergency Services, Operating Supplies - \$288.49; North Wyoming Insurance, Insurance - \$2,979.00; Powder River Energy, Utilities - \$446.00; Range, Telephone - \$186.54; Rocky Mountain Power, Utilities - \$44.77; Tedesco Repair, Repairs/Maintenance - \$360.00; Town of Kaycee, Utilities - \$39.75; United States Postal Service, Dues/Fees - \$46.00; VISA, Education/Meals/Office Supplies/Operating Supplies/Repairs - \$1850.55; Winsor, Kelly, Fire Reporting Wages - \$313.99; Wyoming Department of Employment, Payroll Liabilities - \$979.41; Wyoming Retirement, Retirement - \$318.75; Wyoming State Forestry Division, Repairs/Maintenance - \$7,602.06.

Adjournment:

With no further business the regular board meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Fred Carr, Chairman



Steve Haines, Secretary