

# **Teton County Fire Protection District**

P.O. Box 474

# 911 N. Hwy 33

## Tuesday June 22, 2021- Driggs Fire Station, as well as Teleconferenced via Zoom

In Attendance:

Jason Letham, Fire Commissioner Scott Golden, Fire Commissioner Bob Foster, Fire Commissioner Bret Campbell, Fire Chief Earle Giles, Fire Marshall Tate Hoyle, Battalion Chief Charis Schreiber, Union President Becca Parkinson, Union Vice-President Aaron Stiny, Union Secretary Jerry Moore, Captain Mariana O'Neill, Board Secretary Bart Birch, Legal Counsel

During the COVID-19 Crisis, Stage 2 Stay Healthy Orders allows a 10-person limit to public meeting. The Stay Healthy Order does not alter the requirements of the Idaho Open Meetings Act. All other requirements of the Open Meetings Law remain in place, including providing the public with the ability to attend public meetings by telecommunication devices.

## Meeting began @ 1600 hours.

*Minutes:* Commissioner Letham asked if there were questions or comments on the prepared minutes from May 27, 2021 meeting.

No questions or comments were made.

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied "aye", and the minutes were approved.

*Claims:* Commissioner Letham asked for any questions or comments on the claims presented for the period May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 through May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

No questions or comments were made.

Commissioner Letham made a motion to approve the claims as presented.

Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied "aye", and the claims were approved as presented.

#### **Budget Statement:**

Commissioner Letham asked for any questions or comments on the April 2021 Budget Statement presented.

No questions or comments were made.

Commissioner Golden made a motion to approve the Budget Statement as presented.

Commissioner Foster seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied "aye", and the Budget Statement was approved as presented.

#### Hazmat billing:

Chief Campbell discussed the renewal of hazmat billing. A new resolution would authorize the District to bill and collect any fees and costs involved in the cleaning up hazardous materials. Legal Counsel Bart Birch will provide the Commissioners with a new resolution. Commissioner Foster made a motion for a new resolution. Commissioner Golden seconded the motion. Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied "aye".

#### **Grand Targhee Expansions:**

Rob Marin and Cindy Reigel of Teton County ID presented the expansion plans of Grand Targhee Resort. The expansion could increase the numbers of visitors in the winter from 3000 to 7000. Rob Marin expressed the importance of evaluating how the increased numbers of visitor could affect the public services in Teton Valley. Teton County ID is planning on hiring an agency to study the socio-economic impacts of this expansion.

#### **Capital Improvement Plan:**

Chief Campbell let the Commissioner know that a very generous donor would like to make a donation towards the capital improvement plan for Station #1. The Steering Committee has been meeting to evaluate what the renovation would look like. Chief Campbell will communicate with the donor to discuss the station's needs.

#### FY 2021-2022 Budget:

Chief Campbell presented a working draft of the new budget for fiscal year 2021-2022. The draft did not include wages as the District is sill waiting for the wage study results.

#### Wage Study Update:

Commissioner Foster as part of the Steering Committee let everyone one that the draft is remarkably close to being finalized, even though the study is 2 months past the initial deadline. It was also discussed how will this be implemented once the CBA negotiations start.

#### **Public comment:**

A concerned citizen of Teton Valley participated in the meeting by asking what is being done regarding fireworks in anticipation of July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration. The citizen was concerned about the effect those might have on pets and veterans, as well as the very dry conditions. Although the District does not the authority to issue and ordinance regarding the ban of fireworks, the Commissioners have issued a fire burn ban effective 6/23/2021. It is the District's intent to educate the public regarding safe and sane fireworks.

# Chief's Report :

Chief Hoyle updated the Commissioners about a new car donation that was made to the district. Due to the great condition of the car, the District is planning on selling the car rather than using it for training. The funds would be added into our relief fund.

Recess

Adjourn

Commissioner Letham made a motion to adjourn at 1812 hours.

Commissioner Foster seconded the motion, and the Board of Fire Commissioners was adjourned.

