

Teton County Fire Protection District

P.O. Box 474

911 N. Hwy 33

Tuesday, February 22, 2022- Driggs Fire Station, as well as Teleconferenced via Zoom

In Attendance:

Jason Letham, Fire Commissioner
Scott Golden, Fire Commissioner - Absent
Bob Foster, Fire Commissioner
Bret Campbell, Fire Chief
Earle Giles, Fire Marshall
Ed Schauster, Deputy Chief Administration
Mariana O'Neill, Board Secretary
Cindy Riegel, County Commissioner
Bart Birch, Legal Counsel

Meeting began @ 1605 hours.

Minutes:

Commissioner Letham asked if there were questions or comments on the prepared minutes from January 11, January 17, January 25, February 1, and February 18 meetings.

No questions or comments were made.

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Letham 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 January 1st, 2022 through January 31st, 2022.

Commissioner Foster asked if the District does indeed pay subscription for 93 radios. Chief Campbell confirmed the number.

No further questions or comments were made.

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Commissioner Letham 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 January 2022 Budget Statement presented.

Commissioner Foster asked about the overtime line in the A budget. Chief Campbell explained that due to staff being out on extended sick leave, bereavement, and vacation, a lot of staff has been working overtime to backfill.

No further comments or questions were asked.

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

Commissioner Letham seconded the motion.

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

Impact Fees:

Anne Wescott with Galena Consulting spoke to the Fire Commissioners about the Impact Fees that City of Driggs and Victor are working on. She asked if the District would have any interest in joining the study. The Commissioners expressed interest in learning more about the study and the process. Anne will be sending over a proposal for the Commissioners to review and discuss further.

Cindy Riegel-Impact Fees:

County Commissioner Cindy Riegel let the Commissioners know that the County will also be contracting Galena Consulting in regards to Impact Fees. She

mentioned that the County would be happy to assist the District with the process. Chief Campbell reminded the Commissioners that the District has been through this process in 2008 and had already paid for study, but due to the fact that the District cannot implement ordinances, the impact fees were never approved.

Retiree Benefits:

Commissioner Foster has reviewed the policy and would like to have some language changed. The policy will be presented with the new language at the next meeting for the Commissioners to approve.

Chief's Report:

Chief Giles reported that the building permits numbers are still increasing. Chief Schauster reported that he's working on grants submission. Chief Bollar reported working with the Senior Center on implementing the Life Program and do blood pressure checks.

Executive Session:

Commissioner Letham made a motion to enter executive session per IC 74-206(a)

(a) To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office or deliberations about staffing needs in general;

Commissioner Foster Seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Jason Letham, aye

Bob Foster, aye

The board moved into Executive session at 1713 hours

The board came out of Executive session at 1905 hours

Commissioner Foster made a motion to adjourn at 1905 hours.

Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Foster asked for all in favor. All replied "aye", and the Board of Fire Commissioners were adjourned.

