



Teton County Fire Protection District

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Board of Fire Commissioners

Scott Golden, District 1
Jason Letham, Chair-District 2
Kent Wagener, District 3
Monica Hoth, Secretary

August 11, 2015

Attendance District Commissioners: Jason Letham; Kent Wagener; Scott Golden
Interim Commissioners: N/A
District Legal Counsel: Bart Birch
District Public Relations: Becky Mitchell
Fire Chief: Bret Campbell
Division Chief-Prevention: N/A
Division Chief-Maint.: Scott Wood
Division Chief-Training/EMS: Ed Schauster
Shift Captains: Jerry Moore
Driver/Operators: Chris Plennes
Firefighters: N/A
Administrative Assistant: Monica Hoth
Public: None

Welcome @ 1410 hours

Commissioner Letham welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes

Commissioner Letham asked for any questions about the July 28th Minutes sent ahead of the meeting for review. No questions were asked.

Commissioner Golden made a motion to accept the minutes as presented for the July 28th meeting.

Commissioner Wagener seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham called for all in favor. All replied "aye" and the minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

Claims

Commissioner Letham asked if there were any questions or comments on the claims presented for the month of July. No other questions were asked.

Commissioner Golden made a motion to accept the claims as presented.

Commissioner Wagener seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham stated the claims are approved unanimously and will stand approved as presented.

Budget Statements

Commissioner Letham asked if there were any questions on the budget statement as presented for the month of July. Chief Campbell pointed out that the overall budget goal for this time is 80% and that they are currently at 77.08%. Chief Campbell also mentioned that the collection of all 2014 Wild Land Fire billable monies had now been received and are showing in this budget statement. Commissioner Golden had a question about the overtime line in the budget that Chief Campbell explained. No other questions were asked.

Commissioner Golden made a motion to accept the July Budget Statements as presented.

Commissioner Wagener seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham stated the July Budget Statement is approved unanimously and will stand as presented.

Becky Mitchell Public Relations

Becky talked briefly about the upcoming PSA's that will be in the newspaper. She would like to focus on the Wildland Fire deployments and the training benefits to our staff and community. She will get with Chief Campbell in the coming days to craft those.

FY 2016 Budget Hearing:

Commissioner Letham asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to comment on the proposed budget. Being as there was no one from the public present as of 1434 hours, the discussion continued between those present.

Commissioner Wagener asked Chief Campbell for clarification on the Chief's Salaries in the budget. Commissioners agreed to increase the Chiefs' wages by 1% over last year's total wages, which included bonuses they received.

Commissioner Letham had questions about the Local 4667 wages proposed in the CBA and budget. Chief Campbell gave his understanding and that it happened to match what he presented in his budget this year anyway so no need to adjust figures.

Commissioner Golden made a motion to approve the FY 2016 budget as presented.

Commissioner Wagener seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor. All replied "aye" and Commissioner Letham stated the FY 2016 Budget will stand as presented.

Local 4667 Contract Negotiations:

Commissioner Letham asked for further clarification to the minimum pay rate increases being proposed by the Local. He also wanted to further explore understanding of the Year in Rank pay the members receive, and since there were no Local 4667 representation at the meeting...

Commissioner Wagener made a motion to postpone approving the CBA until they had another working discussion on details of the contract.

Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham stated the motion is approved unanimously as presented. A meeting will be scheduled for a future date.

Ambulance District Discussion of Proposal:

Commissioner Wagener asked Chief Campbell to recap the meeting from Monday the 10th of August. Chief Campbell relayed that the meeting was isolated to the ASD commissioners discussing the Ambulance 11 repairs needed. That the ASD Board did approve the replacement of a \$10,000 diesel motor for that Ambulance. The ASD Board did not have plans to buy another new ambulance this year, and the cost of repairing Amb 11 was worth the cost to ensure the providing of services to the community. There was no further discussions at that meeting.

Chief Campbell also updated the Commissioners on an email he received from Keith Gnagey last afternoon 8/10/15, in which he wanted to know the progress of signing the partnership agreement, as well as a phone conversation they shared earlier today. The Commissioners, along with Chief Campbell asked for the Fire District Attorney and legal counsel, Bart Birch, to look at redrafting some language within the agreement that would bring it in line with recent developments and requests from County ASD Commissioners.

Commissioner Wagener suggested a letter to Keith Gnagey be sent from the Fire Commissioners to communicate the needs for adjusting language in the agreement, in light of requests made by the ASD, and suggest/offer a meeting with those immediately involved to happen right away if they find it necessary. He also added the letter should referenced that this is not about budgeting, but rather only about the contract language in light of new developments.

Commissioner Golden agreed and Commissioner Letham asked for all in favor; all replied "aye".

Chief Campbell will work with Bart Birch to get this going.

Chief's Report

Operations

Chief Campbell reported that operations have been pretty smooth. MS boot drive went great for the Local to donate monies to a great cause, and the community really supported them. They were able to donate over \$10,000 with this year's efforts.

Working on the training/certification for Wildland captains to man specific equipment requests coming in. Just need the paperwork to verify the training and experience that our captains have.

Maintenance

Chief Wood confirmed no new business for the Commissioners this month.

Building Permits/Prevention

Chief Giles is absent on vacation, so Chief Campbell relayed that permits continue to roll in. No other new business.

Commissioner Letham asked if anyone else had business for the meeting, and no questions or comments remained.

Executive Session: (pursuant to Idaho Code Sec. 67-2345A [74-206] b

Commissioner Golden made a motion to move into an executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

Commissioner Wagener seconded the motion.

A roll call was requested by board secretary Monica Hoth, with all replying "aye".

Recess

Adjourn @ 1523 hours

Commissioner Golden made a motion to adjourn

Commissioner Golden seconded the motion.

Commissioner Letham stated the motion is approved unanimously and stated we stand adjourned until the next commissioners meeting, scheduled for September 8th @ 1400.

