

Filer Rural Fire Protection District

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Station #26

BOARD MEMBERS

Dennis Lutz, President
Blayne Wright, Commissioner
Lori Schouten, Clerk

Gordon Lancaster, Vice President
Bud Compher, Fire Chief
Steve Mullen, Assistant Chief



Minutes of May 08, 2023 meeting of Filer Rural Fire District

Attendance: President, Dennis Lutz; Chief Administrator, Bud Compher; Fire Chief, Steve Mullen; Commissioner, Gordon Lancaster; Commissioner, Blayne Wright; Assistant Chief, Travis Brewer and Clerk, Lori Schouten were all present.

President Dennis Lutz called the meeting to order at approximately 6:58 pm. There was a declaration of a quorum. There was one amendment to the agenda. Steve asked to add "Website" to Unfinished Business. There were no citizens present for input at this meeting. There was no correspondence for this meeting.

Consent Agenda:

- A. The minutes of our previous meeting were read and approved as read by Blayne and Dennis. The clerk gave the treasurer's report. Dennis approved the treasurer's report as presented and seconded by Blayne.
- B. The bills and payroll for the month of April were presented and approved for signatures.
- C. Fire Report:

Assistant Chief, Travis Brewer presented the fire report for April. See the attached fire report. He said it has been a very busy month with brush fires.

Chief Steve Mullen reported on our unfinished business.

In Unfinished Business:

- a. New Fire Station
 - i. EMS Bay Doors: Superior Door came out and replaced a sensor.
 - ii. Front doors for the station: NuVu Glass did not do anything.
 - iii. Steve is in the process of getting the grass in on the front of the building. They have added drain rock and leveled. They are hoping to get grass seed hydro seeded in mid-April. It will cost approximately \$2,500.
- b. Galena Consulting: The county commissioners have appointed all 5 people to the citizen board. Buhl is looking forward to coming on in October 2023. The process is moving forward.
- c. Grant for Communication issues at the new station. White Cloud is looking into where the equipment is.

- d. 26108 is now at our station. Travis reported that he has not seen the bill for the repairs yet but expects it to be \$1,565.30. Everything seems to be working well. The check from Freightliner was sent to Hughes and is \$10,526.05.
- e. IFC 2018: (Idaho Fire Code 2018) Steve is working on some things. He will update us in our next meeting.
- f. Community use of the fire station: We are in the process of creating a user agreement for community events and fund raisers. Steve has consulted with the fairgrounds to see what their agreement looks like. He was able to adapt it for our facility. He has added verbiage to include any event that has alcohol will be required to provide security and /or insurance. Steve will take it to our attorney for approval.
- g. WEBSITE: Our billing for the site will decrease to \$100 per month. We will be able to pay for it annually in the amount of \$1,200. Steve is getting assistance from Mandy Archer.

There was discussion over a bill from Electric 1, who has been working on the fire station. They have spent hours correcting and re-wiring some things that were not working correctly. They have the generator working. The concern is over their billing of over \$25,000. Steve said he did not budget for that, and he was hoping to finish some sidewalks and maybe some of the asphalt.

In New business:

- a. CISM/CIT classes. Steve will be taking the Crisis Intervention class in Boise next week. He will also attend the CIT class in Twin Falls.
- b. The Idaho Fire Chief Association Conference will be held in Sun Valley. The room was booked and both the deposit of \$214.00 plus the fee for the conference of \$650.00 were both paid.
- c. Brenda Mason is working on a grant to help pay for a mobile air trailer. The cost of the trailer is approximately \$88K. Other districts are chipping in, so each district's portion is \$5,000. This trailer will be used to fill our air bottles on site. It can be used to rehab our SCBAs. This grant is geared towards the medical side, elderly, apartment complex and non-English speaking persons.

There was discussion over subdivisions' failure to provide a water system for fighting fires. None of the other districts are enforcing this. We won't be able to enforce it on our own. Steve will be asking questions at the conferences. He would like to get some information to take to the county commissioners so he will be able to ask them to enforce it as a fire code. We could drill our own wells, but it is expensive. A new well would be \$180K. Steve will continue working with others to come up with some solutions to help with water sources.

The Lexipol system is challenging. Both Steve and Travis like the training they get from the Lexipol system.

Dennis adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Schouten, Clerk

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