

Fire District 16 Minutes

Public Budget Meeting and Commissioners Work Meeting

Meeting Date- November 8, 2010

Attendance

Commissioners- Roger Prater, Sam Wright, Mike Woelke
Fire Chief- Tim Kenyon, Treasurer- Glenna Jones, Secretary- Ken Thompson,
Karen Kenyon

- 6:00 PM- Roger brought the meeting to order and read the proposed agenda. The commissioners reviewed then modified the agenda. In the future “Action Items” on the agenda will be replaced by “New Business”. The October 11th meeting minutes were approved by the commissioners.
- Glenna provided the treasurer’s report.
 - \$ 679.31 Expenditures
The commissioners voted to approve funding to pay for these expenditures and then signed the appropriate forms.
 - \$ 13.06 Tax income from 2008
 - \$ 28.58 Tax income from 2009
 - \$5,077.63 Tax income from 2010
 - \$9,360.00 Grant income
 - \$16,376.49 Balance for this month
 - \$ 390.00 DNR income for the Highway 20 fire will show on December’s balance sheet.
- Fire Chief’s Report- Tim discussed a request from the County Emergency Manager and the County Dispatcher to provide the geographical area and types of calls the fire district should be “toned out” for. Later in the meeting it was agreed that this information should be completed via email discussions and sent to the County in a timely manner.
- Mike discussed two fires the Fire District responded to.
 - On October 16th the Fire District responded with nine fire fighters and three brush trucks to a wildland fire near Aspen Way. It is notable that a very hazardous condition caused by an unstable burning tree was recognized by the fire fighters and appropriate safety procedures were implemented. The Look up, down and around safety training and alert fire fighters prevented a serious accident when the tree later fell. DNR also responded with two engines and other trucks. DNR later determined the fire was caused by lighting and had smoldered for weeks before it ignited.
 - On October 26th the Fire District responded with one truck and four fire fighters to a structure fire near Wanapum Way. Tonasket Fire responded with a pumper truck and EMS personnel. The fire fighters prevented the

fire from spreading to the surrounding area but the building and contents were destroyed. The sheriff will investigate potential arson.

- Mike provided handouts and discussed the draft 2011 Fire District budget. The commissioners and fire chief discussed the draft budget then proposed several changes. A motion was made and seconded to approve the amended budget.
- Resolutions and a Levy Certification signed by the commissioners-
 - Resolution No. 10-11-08-01 adopting the 2011 budget for the Fire District.
 - Resolution No. 10-11-08-02 correcting minor errors on the legal description of land previously annexed into the fire district.
 - Ordinance/Resolution No. 10-11-08-03 increasing the regular property tax levy to be collected in 2011 by \$224 or 1%.
 - The required 2011 levy certification document was signed. The annexation increased the property taxes due in 2011 to \$42,274 (from \$22,378).
 - A resolution concerning the County investing District funds was tabled.
- Mike discussed grants-
 - A wildland gear grant reimbursement of \$9,360 was discussed.
 - An AFG grant of \$59,000 for a type 4 engine skid containing wildland fire fighting equipment was not approved.
 - A phase II grant for \$24,555 to the State for a type 4 engine skid containing wildland fire fighting equipment was submitted. The Fire District would pay \$5,817 and provide some equipment and the labor to construct the skid.
 - An awarded grant for Structural Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is in the ordering process. Special thanks to Shannon Garoutte for the many hours of hard work she contributed for the wildland and structural PPE grant.
- Sam discussed a fire station drawing with General Steel. Several modifications are necessary. Information from other fire districts and additional sources for constructing a fire station will be sought.
- Tim discussed the requirements and costs for structural firefighting training. Typically this type of training is expensive because of the numerous issues that firefighters face when fighting structural fires.
- The next meeting is scheduled for December 13th at 6:00 PM at the Tonasket Elementary School.

7:50 PM- The meeting was adjourned.

Chairperson

Commissioner

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