

CENTRAL FIRE DISTRICT

COMMISSIONER MEETING

Minutes

September 12, 2024

Opening Prayer: Mike called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM. The opening prayer was offered by Roger Anderson. Present were Commissioners Mike Miller, Gordon Ball, Roger Anderson, Jim Deuel, and Dallin Gambles. Fire Chiefs Nic White, Jared Giannini, Joe Schimanski, BC's, Mitch Bingham, Jim Kelly, Garth Foster, and Corey Albertson. Nile Hall took minutes. Shanda Foster, Alden Foster, Rachel and Ivan Schimanski were the patrons present. Attorney Dennis Wilkinson was also present.

Dallin moved that the agenda be approved. Jim seconded and voting was unanimous by Jim, Dallin, Roger, Mike, and Gordon in the affirmative

Dallin moved to approve the minutes of August 8. Gordon seconded and voting was unanimous by Jim, Dallin, Roger, Mike, and Gordon in the affirmative.

Budget Review: With one year left we are within the budget parameters that have been set and it looks like we will be able to transfer \$200,000 into the Capital Fund for future capital expenditures.

Approval of Expenditures: Jim moved to accept the expenditures of \$72,140.28 and \$107,649.84 for payroll for a total of \$179,790.12. Roger seconded and voting was unanimous by Jim, Dallin, Roger, Mike, and Gordon in the affirmative.

Old Business:

1. Jim took a minute to remind all of the patriotic and excellent job that our firefighters and EMS personnel do for the public. He continued to swear in Joe Schimanski as Deputy Fire Chief of Central Fire District.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Graham Whipple presented additional information regarding the replacement of the Ririe Fire Station. He reported that in conjunction with Thompson Engineering they have located the exact easements at the location. It was proposed that additional work needs to be done to determine the cost of replacement. Roger moved that Graham meet with a professional cost estimator to put together the cost of replacement which could be used to negotiate with ICRMP to be more accurate. Gordon seconded and voting was unanimous by Jim, Dallin, Roger, Mike, and Gordon in the affirmative.
2. Nic presented the contract with the County to pay \$300,000 to help pay for the cost of running an Ambulance in fiscal year 2024-2025. Jim signed the contract and it was given to Dennis Wilkinson to be notarized and returned to Nic.
3. Jared presented a proposal to replace the existing phones at stations to a VOIP system which will reduce the cost of telecommunications. An initial cost of \$3500 to get equipment will be offset by a reduction in the monthly charges from \$500 to \$180 per month plus a reduction in the monthly internet charges. Jim moved to allow the staff to make the changes in phone systems as proposed. Dallin seconded and voting was unanimous by Jim, Dallin, Roger, Mike and Gordon in the affirmative.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Nic reported 119 EMS calls and 29 Fire calls of which 7 were out of district helps. The burn ban is still in effect but with some of the rains ag burning was allowed which may be curtailed somewhat in the future.

Battalion Chief input: No comments.

ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF 46 transports for the month of May. We are starting to see a bigger return in transport costs being reimbursed.

DEPUTY CHIEF REPORT: Things are going kind of slow at the time. We are working with the county to educate contractors to provide more fire alarms in buildings that they are constructing.

Commissioners Report: No comments.

Commissioner meeting was closed temporarily to go into Executive Session as per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(a) Personnel Issues.

4. Executive Session was held to discuss personal and payroll items. After the executive session was closed, the commissioner meeting was reopened. Roger moved to give a 4% cost of living to full time personnel. Dallin seconded and voting was unanimous by Jim, Dallin, Roger, Mike and Gordon in the affirmative.

Jim moved to close the commissioners meeting. Gordon seconded and voting was unanimous by Jim, Dallin, Roger, Mike, and Gordon in the affirmative.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.