

HAINES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
JULY 10, 2023 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chair Terry Blaske at 7:05 pm with directors Garla Rowe, Peter Hall and Jay Wilson present and Dave Johnson absent. Also attending were Chief Jerry Hampton and Bookkeeper Mary Lewis-Johnson. No members of the public were present. Typographical errors were pointed out in the June minutes. Garla moved to accept the minutes with the corrections, Jay seconded and motion was passed unanimously. No changes were made to the agenda.

Mary presented the financial statement. Our workers compensation payment has been reduced. An item under office expense is an ad for selling the old 3844 tender. The district has received payment of \$450 for the earlier horse extraction. The June bank statement has not yet arrived. Garla moved to accept the financial statement and pay the bills, Jay seconded and motion was passed unanimously.

The Chief gave his report. There were two calls, both structure fires in Baker City. The supplies as part of the Leo Adler grant have arrived and payment made. The grant can now be closed out.

Pump testing will be done July 11<sup>th</sup> on five apparatus. The newest pumper, 3832, may not pass because of mechanical issues.

The VFA grant for a pump motor on type 6 vehicle 3880 may be asked to be shifted to repair the engine that has put the vehicle out of service.

Garla asked if we would apply for a new Leo Adler grant which must be done by September 1<sup>st</sup>. The Chief said we might ask for funding to replace doors on the Main station or put in a new heating system for the station. Garla will find out if these can be covered by the grant.

A discussion was had about the levy proposal for next year. Peter presented an outline for an ad that can be placed in the Baker City Herald regarding our informational community meeting in September. Input will be given at next meeting to finalize ad message. The Chief said it is important to lay out what the levy funding will do. Bob Seymor will be asked to attend next meeting to lay out effects and needs regarding levy to help with informational meeting. The Chief mentioned that the last levy to build the Muddy Creek and Oregon Trail stations passed easily which was a \$1 per 1000 tax rate. Hopefully this means a \$1.25 per 1000 tax rate for five years will pass also. As a result of an earlier work session recommending this rate, Peter moved to put the levy for general funding over five years at a rate of \$1.25 per 1000 in assessed property value in the district. Garla seconded and motion was passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Terry Blaske at 8:05 pm with the next meeting scheduled for August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023