

HAINES FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
OCTOBER 9, 2023 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 pm by Chair Garla Rowe with directors Peter Hall, Jay Wilson and Dave Johnson present and Brad Allen absent. Also attending was Bookkeeper Mary-Lewis Johnson while Chief Jerry Hampton was absent. No members of the public were in attendance. Jay moved to accept the minutes presented of the September meeting, Dave seconded and motion was passed unanimously. Peter then moved to accept the agenda, Jay seconded and motion was passed unanimously.

Mary presented the financial statement. Expense not listed on the statement was \$257.34 to Peter for flyers regarding public forum on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Income not listed was \$92.82 in property tax revenue from the county. A letter was received from the Baker County Treasurer showing probable property tax revenue for the district in the next fiscal year. Details for large expenses were \$1894 for the motor pump on vehicle 3880 and \$1395 for items needed for repairs on the Main station. Dave moved to accept the financial statement and pay the bills, Jay seconded and motion was passed unanimously.

It was decided to postpone the by-law discussion until the next meeting.

With the Chief absent, Garla presented his report. There were no calls in the past month. Materials for repairs to the Main Station have been received. The Chief will wait until after the public forum before proceeding with repairs to emphasize our repair needs. There has been an offer on the tender for sale of the asking price of \$20,000 but the party from Idaho cannot pay fully until Spring. The Chief will ask for a non-refundable deposit of \$1500 to move the deal forward. Other offers have been made at a lower price. Dave moved to authorize acceptance of the proposed offer of \$20,000 with the non-refundable \$1500 down payment as long as it was completed by May 1<sup>st</sup> next year. Jay seconded and motion was passed unanimously. There is someone interested in the rescue truck but no deal yet.

Discussion was had about the upcoming community forum, the date of which has been changed to October 26<sup>th</sup>. Garla will address and mail the flyers presented by Peter. Garla will put an announcement in the local Haines paper. Peter will move forward with placing the ad agreed upon by the board into the Baker City Herald edition of Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be a print out of the amount per assessed value for the proposed levy for those attending the forum. Elkhorn media will put out an announcement over the appropriate radio stations it operates. Garla will bring coffee, tea and cocoa for the event while each board member will bring a sweet treat.

Jay reported that a local LDS church organization is doing local cemetery maintenance and is looking for volunteers to help. Peter is attending a League of Oregon Cities conference and will report anything of interest to the district at the November meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm with the next meeting on November 13, 2023.