

# Filer Rural Fire Protection District

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## Station #26

### BOARD MEMBERS

Dennis Lutz, President	Gordon Lancaster, Vice President
Blayne Wright, Commissioner	Bud Compher, Fire Chief
Lori Schouten, Clerk	Steve Mullen, Assistant Chief



## Minutes of January 09, 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 7:00 pm. There was a declaration of a quorum. There were no citizen present for input at this meeting. There was no correspondence for this meeting.

The minutes of our previous meeting were presented in the prior week. All commissioners have acquired and read them. They approved the minutes as presented with no amendments. The clerk gave the treasurer's report. Dennis approved the treasurer's report as presented and seconded by Blayne. Chief Mullen asked to amend the agenda to reflect SCBA Certifications in New Business.

The bills and payroll for the month of December were presented and approved for signatures.

### Consent Agenda:

#### A. Fire Report:

Assistant Chief, Travis Brewer presented the fire report for December. See the attached fire report. Travis said that we have several new firefighters coming on. They are in the process of being vetted at this time.

Chief Steve Mullen reported on our unfinished business.

### In Unfinished Business:

#### A. New Fire Station

- i. Steve reported that our generator has bigger issues than just a head gasket. They have flushed the block and are looking at the heads. They want to see if the motor is even fixable. They will pull the pan this week and see if it has any sand or foreign debris in it. Travis suggested having a conversation with the company that we received it from to see if they would be willing to give us compensation for a new motor. He said they have a couple that would work well for this generator.
- ii. They purchased the new radiator, but they don't think it is the main issue.

- B. The EMS quarters is close to completion.
- C. Galena Consulting – Anne Wescott. Steve has had a conversation with Anne. It looks like they will be moving forward without the Kimberly Districts.
- D. The JPA and the City Annexation Resolution 102 has been sent back and Emily has received the letter from the state. It is now official, and the process is complete. We will wait to see what our portion of city taxes is from the county.
- E. Web Site: Steve is working to add content to the site. He explained that this will be a very valuable tool for the district. We will be able to use it for much of our community communications. He would like to know if the commissioners want their information listed on the site.
- F. 26108 is at Hughes to have some issues fixed. It has an oil leak in the pump drive and the engine. They will check the pump packing and repack.

**In New business:**

- a. SIFA: Southern Idaho Fire Academy. We will be sending 11 people this year. Steve and Travis will be learning about NIFERS – National Fire Incident Reporting System.
- b. Jackie Frye secured a federal grant for \$34,000.00 for upgrades and to correct some communications issues at the station. Parts have been ordered and will be installed as soon as they arrive.
- c. Marky's Towing has brought to our attention that they were never paid for hauling the tank for our new tanker truck. We were under the impression that we did not owe them, according to one of our firefighters. It seems that we do, and I will cut a check immediately and get it to them.
- d. SCBA Tester: We will be required to upgrade our equipment for testing our SCBAs. It is required to certify that they are compliant. Steve explained that the tester equipment is \$9,795.00. The OHD Company will give us a \$1,500.00 trade in allowance. It will be \$8,370.00 with shipping. We will have a 5-year contract for the calibration of the equipment once each year. The total contract will be \$12,525.00. The commissioners discussed this matter for a bit. There was a motion to purchase the equipment with the 5-year contract. All were in favor, motion carried.

Steve asked that we hire Mandy Archer on a temporary basis to help sort and move fire district records. She helps run the ORU Fundraisers. She will also be helping him with the web site to get it finished up. She will be a 1099 sub-contractor. The commissioners were in agreement to hire her for less than 20 hours per week at \$15.00 - \$18.00 per hour.

I will check on the schedule for Ireland Bank for our payment on the pumper truck. It should be for \$50K due by March 05, 2023.

Dennis adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Schouten, Clerk

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