## CASCADE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES August 11, 2022

Commissioner Larry Scarborough called the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District to order at 5:30 p.m. at the 109 East Pine Street Fire Station.

The following Cascade Rural Fire Protection District officials were present: Commissioner Larry Scarborough, Commissioner Mike Arnold, Fire Chief Steven Hull, Emergency Medical Services Director Keri Rueth, and Secretary / Treasurer Pam DeChambeau. Commissioner LaDawn Saxton participated by phone.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the agenda, and Larry Scarborough seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Larry Scarborough opened the public hearing and stated the hearing was to consider public comment on the proposed budget for the fiscal year October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023, and on Resolution 22-07 declaring the intent to collect \$3,753 in forgone property taxes in the proposed budget for operating and maintenance expenditures. Reported the notice of the budget public hearing and the notice of the intent to collect \$3,753 in forgone property taxes was published in The Star-News on Thursday, August 4, 2022. Steven Hull welcomed the public, reported the proposed budget was compiled in July and a workshop was held in July. Reported the budget is the same as the last couple of years and has a three (3) percent increase in wages. Reported on the grants in the budget for a Type 3 Wildland Fire Engine and for medical equipment. Reported in the current year budget, the Tender was paid off and a new ambulance was put in-service from a grant. Larry Scarborough confirmed the award notice for the Assistance to Firefighters grant will be in September. Confirmed no written correspondence received commenting on the proposed budget. Krystal Hinkle, 10135 Round Valley Round, Cascade, confirmed the proposed budget has a three (3) percent increase in property tax revenue, \$3,220 in new construction and \$3,753 in forgone for operating and maintenance expenses. Confirmed the property tax revenue increase did not meet the eight (8) percent increase limit and the estimated tax levy rate for the proposed budget at current market conditions of 0.000295924. Larry Scarborough closed the public hearing.

Resolution 22-07 declaring the intent to collect \$3,753 in forgone property taxes for fiscal year 2023 for maintenance and operating expenses was reviewed. Mike Arnold made a motion to approve Resolution 22-07 declaring the intent to collect \$3,753 in forgone property taxes for the fiscal year 2023, and Larry Scarborough seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Larry Scarborough, aye; LaDawn Saxton, aye; Mike Arnold, aye. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2022 regular Commissioner's meeting and the July 28, 2022 special Commissioner's meeting, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Larry Scarborough made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and payment of the bills dated August 11, 2022, and Mike Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Steven Hull reported the next step in the process of establishing impact fees is to hold combined public hearings with the City of Cascade to adopt the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District Impact Fee Study and Capital Improvement Plan Final Report – June 2, 2022 and to establish new development impact fees. Reported on tentatively scheduling the combined public hearings on Monday, August 29, 2022 at 6 p.m. at Cascade City Hall, 105 South Main Street. Reported at the meeting the City will amend the Comprehensive Plan and enter into the Memorandum of Understanding to collect impact fees. Reported on the 30 day waiting period after approvals before implementing the impact fees. Reported on the work to switch to ESO incident reporting software. Reported on selling the 2007 Ford Ambulance to a company from Kalispell Montana in the amount of \$40,000. Reported on the plan to pick-up the new snowmobile that was received from Title III funds from Valley County.

Keri Rueth reported on receiving our Controlled Substance/Regulated Chemical Registration Certificate, DEA Registration Number MC7396799, expiring August 31, 2025, and reported the fee paid is exempt. Reported on working on the process of transitioning paperwork from Dr. Sturkie's controlled substance certification to the District's certification for purchasing medications. Reported on award of an Idaho Emergency Medical Services Bureau equipment grant in the amount of \$16,000 for a Lucas device, a mechanical chest compression device, for Medic 2.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Steven Hull reported sixty-one (61) incidents for the month of July 2022. Reported incidents in High Valley, Yellow Pine, Landmark and Deadwood. Reported eighteen (18) incidents outside of Fire District and reported last year the most incidents outside the Fire District in one month was eleven (11). Reported pump and ladder testing Monday and reported a fifty (50) percent average on pump testing. Reported on Engine 1 pumping problem over 1,000 revolutions per minute and on Engine 4 valve problem. Reported on the Tender and Engine 2 passing pump testing and reported Engine 2 is primary until Engine 1 is repaired. Reported all the ladders passed ladder testing. Reported an update on a City of Cascade water system issue at the south end of town and south of the south bridge. Reported on a water line beginning at Cabarton Road, crossing the North Fork of the Payette River at Arrowhead RV Park, to the entrance of River Woods Subdivision. Reported the water line at the entrance of River Woods Subdivision up to Main Street (Highway 55) is broken from a testing procedure in the past. Reported on the plan to test the water lines in River Woods Subdivision and when the water lines pass testing the water line from River Woods Subdivision entrance up to Main Street will be repaired. Reported the water line repair will hopefully provide the south end of town the required water flow for development and fire protection. The water line repair at the entrance of River Woods Subdivision up to Main Street is holding-up building permit

approvals for airplane hangars, and final plat approvals for Go To My Garage Condominiums and the River District Subdivision. Reported on PANO, a company using technology to enhance detection, confirmation, monitoring and alerting to combat wildfires. Reported on PANO installing smoke detection cameras at No Business Lookout and Tripod Lookout. Reported on PANO looking for a spot for a third camera and working on an agreement with the City of Cascade to install cameras on the water towers on the center ridge above town. Reported on receiving access to sign-on to the cameras to see live data.

Keri Rueth reported on Central District Health overdose prevention and response training to prevent, recognize, and respond to an overdose, to learn rescue breaths and the recovery position, and to increase knowledge of overdose risk factors, to be held Friday, August 19, 2022 beginning at 9:15 a.m. Reported the community is welcome and encouraged to attend and invited and encouraged Valley County Search and Rescue members to attend. Reported on Dr. Ellsworth taking over as Medical Director November 1, 2022.

Resolution 22-05 declaring the 2010 Polaris Ranger UTV surplus property was reviewed. Steven Hull reported it is being replaced with a 2022 Polaris Ranger four seater. Larry Scarborough made a motion to approve Resolution 22-05 declaring the 2010 Polaris Ranger surplus property and up for sale, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution 22-06 declaring the 2004 Polaris Snowmobile surplus property was reviewed. Larry Scarborough made a motion to approve Resolution 22-06 declaring the 2004 Polaris Snowmobile surplus property and up for sale, and Mike Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to accept the proposed budget for the fiscal year October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023, as published, in the total amount of \$1,419,451.00, and Larry Scarborough seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. DeChambeau

Secretary/Treasurer

Larry V. Scarborough

Chairperson