

**CASCADE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES
June 13, 2024**

Commissioner Larry Scarborough called the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District to order at 5:36 p.m. at the 109 East Pine Street Fire Station.

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

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2024 regular Commissioner's meeting as presented, and Larry Scarborough seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented and payment of the bills dated June 13, 2024, and Larry Scarborough seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Steven Hull reported on two employees retesting for Firefighter I certification and one employee retesting for Firefighter II certification. Reported the retesting has been scheduled with Fire Service Technology in Boise. Reported on meeting with Perpetua Resources to present a proposal for heavy extrication tools and a partial investment in a rescue truck. Reported Perpetua Resources thought others would benefit from the heavy extrication tools besides them so others should fund that equipment. Reported on Perpetua Resources working on a community impact agreement. Reported Thunder Mountain Burgers is having Mid-State Fire Protection repair the kitchen hood suppression system for fire code compliance. Reported Hotel NoBo has a company scheduled to install a kitchen hood suppression system in July 2024. Reported on Idaho Power's Public Safety Power Shutoff installing more switches in the wildfire hazard areas to isolate fewer customers being affected and installing more remote weather stations.

Keri Rueth reported on the Valley Countywide EMS District permanent levy increase election that failed 2,157 to 1,226 for sixty-four percent (64%) in favor. Reported on having to keep trying for more funding in order to provide quality emergency medical services. Reported the Idaho Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Preparedness equipment grant and non-transport rescue vehicle grant was submitted for radios and a rescue truck and notice of awards are in September.

Larry Scarborough reported on designating funds for capital improvement, purchasing department badges, and creating an employee recognition program.

NEW BUSINESS:

Steven Hull reported thirty-nine (39) incidents for the month of May 2024 and reported the average for May is thirty-two (32). Reported on the DDMC biker rodeo fundraiser event benefiting Cascade Fire Community Fund on Saturday, July 13, 2024 in Smith's Ferry. Reported hose testing was completed last week, two sections of inch and three-quarter failed due to a leaking liner, but the rest passed and the hose supply is good. Reported the woody debris container was at the fire station from Saturday, May 25 to Thursday, June 6 and it was very busy.

Keri Rueth reported on the monthly Valley Countywide EMS District meetings and on the decision to move to one Medical Director for the Cascade, Donnelly, and McCall fire departments. Reported on the current Cascade and McCall Medical Directors being willing to end their contracts. Reported on Dr Curtis Meske becoming the Valley Countywide EMS District Medical Director. Reported on the Valley Countywide EMS District Commissioners requesting to meet with the Cascade, Donnelly, and McCall fire department Commissioners on Wednesday, July 10 at the Donnelly fire station at 6 p.m.

Larry Scarborough reported on Community Leasing Partners from First National Bank financing any needs of the fire department.

The agreement for audit services with Zwygart John & Associates for the year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024, in the amount of \$5,100.00, a three hundred (300) dollar increase in the fee charged last year, was reviewed. Larry Scarborough made a motion to approve the agreement for audit services for the year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 with Zwygart John & Associates in the amount of \$5,100.00, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the agreement to provide adequate fire protection for real and personal property located at 200 Pointes Road, for Alan and Denise Touchstone, for the period June 13, 2024 to December 31, 2024, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the agreement to provide adequate fire protection for real and personal property located at 203 Pointes Road, for McConnell Revocable Trust, for the period June 13, 2024 to December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$50.14, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike Arnold made a motion to approve the agreement to provide adequate fire protection for real and personal property located at 9807 Highway 55, for Laurien and Luana Dutremble, for the period June 13, 2024 to December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$24.53, and LaDawn Saxton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the commissioner's meeting of the Cascade Rural Fire Protection District adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela J. DeChambeau
Secretary/Treasurer

Approved:



Larry V. Scarborough
Chairperson