

## **Bigfork Fire District Trustee Meeting**

**August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Trustees: Zack Anderson, Seth Price, Andrew Sliter**

**Guests: Chief-Mark Thiry, Cindy Norred, Jeremy Patton**

**Opened at 17:35**

1. **General Public Comment:** None
2. **Review/Approval of meeting minutes July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018:** Motion to approve July 26th, 2018 meeting minutes: Sliter (1<sup>st</sup>), Price (2<sup>nd</sup>) all in favor, none opposed.
3. **Review/Approval of Purchase Orders:** Motion to approve Wildland PPE VFA Grant PO#7808: Sliter (1<sup>st</sup>), Price (2<sup>nd</sup>) all in favor, none opposed.
4. **Review Reconciliation of Financial Statements and Bills Paid:** No Comments
5. **Fire Chief Report:** See attached.
6. **Apparatus Committee Report:** Central Valley is wanting to negotiate, starting offer at \$50,000.00 cash with the sale of the ladder truck. The board all agreed that they would like Chief to formalize an offer with the \$100,000.00 to start.
7. **Convene into Closed Session Pursuant to MCA 2-3-203 (3):** *Board did not go to close session*
8. **Convene back into Open Session:** *Board did not go to close session*
9. **Old Business**
  - A. **Final FY19 Budgets Approval-Resolution 2019-1:** Motion to approve Resolution 2019-1 for Final Budgets as presented: Price (1<sup>st</sup>), Sliter (2<sup>nd</sup>) all in favor, none opposed.
  - B. **Bigfork Water and Sewer Agreement Update:** Chief met with the water department today and explained that the water board wanted us to continue testing with minor maintenance in lieu of any payments. Chief will finalize agreement and bring back to the board. The department is to test 1/3 of hydrants a year. The water department wanted to do some training on testing.
10. **New Business**

**A. Revision of Policy 205.00 Employee Types** – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading no action taken.

**B. Revision of Policy 226.00 Holidays and Benefits** – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading no action taken

**C. Revision of Wildland Call Out Policy:** No action taken. Chief explained that there all different types of employees. As of now the District only has Chief, Jeremy and Mick that can go out on these calls per Chief. Zack wanted to make sure the district is taken care of if the Chief is out on wildland call outs. Board would like to explore all options. They would like Chief to bring back options, but for the time being continuing to do as he has been doing.

**D. Begin ambulance specification process:** Chief wanted to start the buying process of a new ambulance. He explained that it will take a year to accomplish final details. Board agreed to start the process per the CIP plan.

11. **General Public Comment:** Chief wanted to voice his concerns & caution the board to reconsider his comp package offered at the last board meeting, which was not in the meeting minutes for July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as approved. Board asked to have the recording of meeting minutes reviewed, that they had acted on the Chief's salary. Board wanted salary discussion for the Chief as action item on next month's agenda. Chief asked the board to reconsider their offer and consider giving him another week of vacation instead, in which will not cost the district any more since he is salary employee.

12. **Motion to Adjourn: Anderson** (1<sup>st</sup>), Sliter (2<sup>nd</sup>) all in favor, none opposed.

**Meeting adjourned at 18:05.**

Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_, Chairman -Zack Anderson

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