

**Gallatin River Ranch Rural Fire District
Board of Trustees Meeting**
Date: 11/18/2020 Time: 1600 hr
GRR Equestrian Center Tack Room
750 Equestrian Center Loop Road, Manhattan, MT

Present: Presiding officer: Richard Anderson. Secretary: Sue Piechowski
Other Trustees present: Rick McCourt
Others present: Chief Marlin Sprow, Executive Assistant John Andrews, Firefighter Bruce Reynolds

Quorum established and meeting was called to order at: 1556 hours
Public Comment: No public attended this public meeting.

| Agenda Topic | Background | Discussion | Resolution/Follow-up |
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| Approval of Minutes | Minutes of the 10/21/2020 meeting were presented to trustees prior to the meeting by email. | Minutes are reviewed and discussed | Motion to approve by: Piechowski Seconded by: Anderson Approved on unanimous vote |
| Treasurer's Report | Profit/Loss statement and balance sheet from 9/31/20 were presented along with the October check register and the reforecast spreadsheet. | Treasurer's report discussed. The biggest expenses were for the Lifepak-15 and architectural fees for the fire station project. All questions were answered. The grant money was disbursed by AFG, Wendy Ward is working to confirm it is in GRRRFD's county account. | Accepted by acclamation |
| Fire Chief's Report | Fire Chief's report was distributed to trustees prior to the meeting. | Chief's report discussed. Training with Manhattan has started and is going well. No other new issues were identified. | The Chief's report is filed. |

Unfinished Business

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| Fire Station Project | The construction of a new fire station is an ongoing project. The Board is updated each month on project progress | The architecture and engineering are completed other than the septic permit. The project is ready to bid out. The Board agrees that bidding should wait until there is a solid agreement with the HOA regarding purchase and ownership. Kate Dinwiddie and Andrews are working to put a remote meeting together with the GRRHOA Board to discuss these issues and put a final agreement together. The HOA Board is meeting at the same time as this meeting. Andrews will query the GRRHOA Board regarding their position and to set up a joint meeting with up to but no more than two GRRRFD Trustees | For Information; no motions made. |
| Manhattan Discussions. | The relationship between GRRFD and MVFD is the subject of ongoing discussions. | Andrews delivered two copies of the signed service contract to MVFD. Chief Sprow will be meeting with Chief Ulmen soon to discuss training and consolidation issues. Andrews sent a copy of the fire station plans to Chief Ulmen for his review and opinion. | For information only. |
| Grant Application Update | Grant applications are discussed. | No new information or grant applications. | For information only. |
| Reserve Update | Reserve activities are reviewed at each meeting | No new information or action | For information only. |
| Auxiliary Update | Auxiliary activities are reviewed at each meeting | Vanessa McMurray has agreed to become the Auxiliary coordinator. The plan is to work through the winter to put Auxiliary and Reserve wildland fire prevention information together for district residents and establish Auxiliary operational plans in | For information only. |

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| | | the case of a large-scale incident with or without evacuation. | |
| Facilities Update | Facilities activities not otherwise covered in the Chief's Report are reviewed at each meeting. | No new actions. | For information only. |
| Disposition of surplus equipment | A number of items in the inventory are considered surplus. The BOT examines the matter of disposition of this equipment at each meeting. | No new actions. | For information only. |

Date, time and location of next meeting: Wednesday 12/15/2020 at the Equestrian Center Tack Room.

Announcements: None.

Adjourned: 1650 hours

Richard Anderson, Vice Chair

Date

Susan M. Piechowski, Secretary

Date